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SENDING OF H.K.R.N.V.R. OFFICERS HOME FOR GENERAL SERVICE: IDEA IS MADE KNOWN TO ADMIRALTY

Commander Petrie Reads Message From Governor At Annual Dinner

"HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR has authorised me to say that if the Hongkong Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve can train officers in excess of complement so that some of you be degrees can be sent home for general service, he will support the idea with gratification.

"FURTHERMORE HE HAS AGREED TO MY acquainting the Admiralty in this sense and at the suggestion of the Commodore a telegram was sent a week ago which is being followed by a letter explaining the proposal more fully."



BARON VON PAPEN
Von Papen Recalled

These words were spoken by His Excellency Admiral Sir Percy Noble, K.C.B., C.V.O., Commander-in-Chief of the China Station, when giving the toast to the Hongkong Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve at the annual dinner held at the Hongkong Hotel last night.

His Excellency the Governor, who is Honorary Captain, was unable to be present owing to indisposition, and a message from him was read by Commander J. Petrie, D.S.C., Commanding Officer of the H.K.R.N.V.R.

COMMANDING OFFICER'S ADDRESS

Commander J. Petrie said:—We regret that His Excellency the Governor—our Honorary Captain is unable to be present with us tonight but I have the honour to read a message from His Excellency.

"It is a deep disappointment to me that I am unable to be with you tonight, for it is with a high heart and proper pride that, as your Honorary Captain, I look back on the record of the Force for the last year. I congratulate you most warmly on the establishment of the Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve of Hongkong, to which the great majority of the H.K.R.N.V.R. transferred at the earliest possible moment. I commend most heartily your prompt answer to the call of duty and the high efficiency to which you have attained; and I may add that I have been

ISTANBUL, May 3 (Reuters)—An authoritative source in Ankara states that Baron von Papen, German Ambassador to Turkey, has been summoned home by Hitler and will leave here tomorrow.

AIRFIELD USED BY GERMANS BOMBED

LONDON, May 3 (Reuters)—The Air Ministry announces that the large Danish airfield known as the Ry, lying in the open country on the shore of the Salten Lango, in North Jutland, is known to be extensively used by the enemy for the Norwegian operations.

The Royal Air Force heavily and successfully bombed this air base since last evening and throughout the night. Stavanger Aerodrome was also the object of a daylight raid and both it and Fornebu was bombed during the night.

Numerous R.A.F. aircraft were engaged yesterday in affording protection against an air attack for the convoy transporting British forces from Aandalsnes. No British aircraft was lost in any of these operations.

"WORLD AFFAIRS"

MOST IMPORTANT WAR CENTRE IS STILL THE WESTERN FRONT—STEED

In his weekly talk on "World Affairs," broadcast from Daventry last night, Mr. H. Wickham Steed, the well-known journalist who returned to England recently from a tour of Europe, including a visit to Norway, said that those who went through the War of 1914-1918 must be able to tell that in any war there must be "ups" and "downs," and he felt that the older people knew better than the younger blood that nothing makes the British people more determined than a "down."

When Britain rushed to the aid of Norway, he said, we started with a disadvantage. The Germans were there first and they had help from within the country but despite these odds the British Navy mauled the German Fleet very badly.

The British and French forces, helped by the gallant Norwegians who were resisting the Germans, made things pretty hot for Hitler, but in spite of this the Germans had the advantage because they had too good a start.

Mr. Wickham Steed went on to add that "as the Prime Minister has said, Norway is far from being a side show," but over and above this we must not forget that the most important theatre of the war is still the Western Front. Bearing this in mind, then, the withdrawal from Norway may have very far-reaching psychological and even strategic repercussions in other parts of Europe. A fortnight ago, he said, he was

informed by a very eminent authority that Italy must join Germany, the reason advanced being that the solidarity of the dictatorship States must be preserved. A week ago it certainly looked as if this might materialise. The Italians started calling up men and a common Italian Ambassador in Berlin was replaced by one who was well known for his pro-Nazi tendencies.

Meanwhile the British and French battle fleets have moved down to the Mediterranean and have already entered its eastern basin. The speaker said he would not care to say what Italy was going to do.

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NO FRESH NEWS FROM NARVIK: HEADQUARTERS OF NORWEGIAN COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF CHANGED

Any Japanese Movement In China Will Fail, Says Dr. Wang Chung-hui

"Any Japanese movement, even in Chinese disguise, will fail, because the masses of the people know the real meaning of Japanese domination, and actually give their strength and money to the nation's cause," said Dr. Wang Chung-hui, China's Foreign Minister, in the course of a radio broadcast to America through the "Voice of China" programme from Chungking on Labour Day, May 1, at 10.20 a.m.

Dr. Wang Chung-hui, the theme of whose address was in defence of civilization said:

OLDEST CITY
I am speaking to you from a city over four thousand years old, the birthplace of the Imperial Consort of the great Emperor Yu who ruled this country over two thousand years before Christ. This is not by any means the oldest city in China, which has survived the vicissitudes of time for so many thousands of years.

The world is thankful to our forefathers for the invention of the compass and the art of printing.

HUNTER MEN IN SWEDEN

LONDON, May 3 (Reuters)—Two officers and 38 ratings of H.M.S. Hunter, who were reported to be dead, are now safe in Sweden.

They, with 127 other seamen from various ships, are now in northern Sweden accommodated in a school and they will be interned until their status has been decided.

Captured at Narvik by the Germans, but released later owing to the shortage of food, they marched into Sweden.

ANGLO-SOVIET NEGOTIATIONS

LONDON, May 3 (Reuters)—In the House of Commons today, Mr. R. A. Butler, in reply to Mr. C. R. Attlee, said that a reply had been received from the Soviet Government regarding the trade agreement.

This reply, he said, while not making any concrete proposals, indicated the general attitude of the Soviet Government.

It was being given the most careful consideration by the departments concerned with a view to discovering any way in which a trade agreement could be reached taking into account the war situation.

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ADMIRALTY IS PROUD OF FLEET AIR ARM

LONDON, May 3 (Reuters)—An Admiralty communique states: "We are proud of the Fleet Air Arm."

A message of congratulation in these words is being signalled to the officers and men of the Fleet Air Arm who, for the past week, have been taking part in the sustained large-scale operations in Norway, during which they achieved the most brilliant success.

Severe losses were inflicted by the N. W. E. F. on enemy aircraft attempting to bomb Allied troops and ships in Norway and while the most vigorous attack had been pressed home against vital German bases, transport, and supply ships from the evening on April 25 on.

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CARS AND RADIOS

WHAT IS PURPOSE OF NEW ORDER ISSUED BY CONTROLLER OF TRADE?

SPECIAL TO THE HONGKONG DAILY PRESS
What is the purpose of the new order issued by Mr. E. W. Hamilton, Controller of Trade, placing a ban on the imports of motor vehicles and radio receiving sets except under licence?

This question is engaging the attention of all traders concerned in the imports of such articles into the Colony and the impression seems to be rapidly gaining ground that these licences will be granted only if the goods imported are 100 per cent. of British origin.

Inquiries made by the Hongkong Daily Press in well-informed commercial and official circles elicited the information that the purpose of the order was to conserve sterling exchange and to divert to sterling countries orders which would otherwise normally go to countries outside the sterling block.

"It is an indirect way of placing a ban on goods of non-British origin," a well-known city commercial magnate told our representative yesterday. "Hongkong can no longer be considered a free port."

"It is a pity," he added. "There is the case of trade from neutral countries to be considered and if they find this obstacle to their exports to this Colony, they will be in a position to retaliate—and Britain wants to gain their friendship."

NON-COMMITTAL
Interviewed in this connexion.

LONDON, MAY 3 (BRITISH WIRELESS)—THERE IS NO FRESH NEWS FROM NARVIK TODAY WHERE THE BRITISH TROOPS ARE CLOSING IN ON THE GERMAN FORCE. IT IS REVEALED THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF NORWAY IS STILL IN BEING IN NORWAY.

The Norwegian Commander-in-Chief, who has been directing Norwegian troops in the south, has transferred his headquarters to another region.

The fact that the Germans were unable to interfere with the embarkation of Allied troops is regarded here as indicating that they must have received a rough handling from the troops who were marching and fighting for a fortnight.

German claims to have captured "inestimable" quantities of war materials are obviously very much exaggerated.

As is generally known, the supply of artillery and tanks to support the troops, was limited, owing to the difficulties of landing in improvised ports and there is no ground for the fear that the Allies had to abandon their equipment.

Lack of interference from the air with the withdrawal from Aandalsnes may be due to the bombing of German air bases by the R.A.F. but it is believed that the Germans are again using the Trondheim aerodrome.

Reuter reports that it is authoritatively stated that the withdrawal from Aandalsnes does not mean the abandonment of Norway.

The technical military aspect of the evacuation of Aandalsnes is regarded in competent quarters in London as proving one great fact. For the first time since the outbreak of the war, British troops had been really heavily engaged and they have shown that they are as good as their predecessors. They carried out the most difficult military operation, namely a rear-guard operation against overwhelming air superiority and have come through the ordeal with flying colours.

NAZI COMMUNIQUE

BERLIN, May 3 (Reuters)—The Allied forces are slowly tightening their hold on Narvik, according to a High Command communique which states that the last British troops having evacuated Aandalsnes, the town itself is in German hands.

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Opposition Remains Reserved Debate Next Week

Reuter's Lobby Correspondent in London states it seems unlikely that there will be any material change in the Parliamentary situation during the week-end. Members will await for Tuesday with interest that is certain to be accelerated as world opinion on the latest phase of the Norwegian campaign comes in and supports this and that section of opinion.

There is a prospect that, after the main Government statement on Tuesday, the Government will be asked not to insist upon the Whitehouse adjournment but, as in every other direction, the course of events in Parliament necessarily must await disclosures of the completed operations in Norway.

Meanwhile, it remains as certain as was the case last night that the Government will be subjected to searching examination of

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AIR RAID ALARM IN KUNMING

KUNMING, May 3 (Central)—The air raid alarm was sounded here at 7 a.m. yesterday and the all clear given at 10 a.m. No enemy planes appeared over here, but they were reported to have been sighted over Ka-yuan, north-west of Mengtze.

SHIUKWAN BOMBED

SHIUKWAN, May 3 (Central)—Two Japanese planes bombed Shiukwan in north Kwangtung, dropping more than 10 bombs. The damage was slight.

Macao Race Meeting

FINAL SELECTIONS (BY "LAST QUARTER")

- RACE 1
Fairy Ank 1
Fairy Ousel 2
Gold Clause 3
- RACE 2
Hogmanay 1
Cloudy Star 2
Rothsday Bay 3
- RACE 3
Radium Star 1
Haddon 2
Dow Jones 3
- RACE 4
Night View 1
Gold Coin 2
Fel Xing 3
- RACE 5
King's Envoy 1
New Bedford 2
Mac's Adventure 3
(See Also Page 2)

Armaments Increase In America Demanded

Special to H. K. Daily Press

WASHINGTON, May 3 (Havas)—A twenty-four point programme demanding an increase of U. S. armaments and congress' reassertion of its determination to keep the country out of the war unless the security of the nation was adopted by the United States Chamber of Commerce during a meeting of members from all parts of the country.

Mr. Lewis Douglas, President of the Mutual Life Insurance Company, declared that he himself opposed any isolation policy by the United States. He added that the American national interest have much at stake in the outcome of the European conflict.

It would be possible to rebuild a peaceful Europe should Britain and France be defeated.

INDIAN OPINION IS INVITED

LONDON, May 3 (Reuters)—On behalf of the British Government, the Viceroy of India will welcome any plans for the setting up of a committee in which representatives of public opinion could discuss various points of view.

This was announced today by the Under-Secretary for India, Sir Hugh O'Neill.

He said that any plans for such a committee must obviously come from the parties directly concerned.

CHANG JO-PO KILLED

HANKOW, May 3 (Reuters)—Chang Jo-po, "Commissioner of Finance," was shot three times by Chinese gunmen on the Bund this morning. He was rushed to hospital immediately after the shooting, but later succumbed to his injuries.

Britain's Confidence

BEUGRADE, May 3 (Reuters)—Mr. Neville Chamberlain's announcement that additional Allied Fleet units are now in the Eastern Mediterranean is considered in Belgrade as evidence of Britain's confidence and has made a deep impression.

It is suggested here that the position in Norway must be better than it appears from the news published up till the present.

Opinion remains unchanged in many quarters in Belgrade that the adoption of a firm attitude by the Allies is bound to have some effect in Rome, and that in any case Italy, although defending her prestige, does not want to enter the war at present.

MACAO JOCKEY CLUB TO HOLD MAY MEETING

Small Field Expected For Day's Opening Event

Racing this week-end will be at Macao where the Macao Jockey Club will be holding their May Meeting on the Areia Preta course tomorrow afternoon. There are six events down for decision including the usual Novice Race, which is the last race on the programme. The first race is scheduled for 3 p.m., and the first saddling bell will be rung at 2.30 p.m.

The two Fairy ponies should contest the opening event, Kwan Chap Stakes, over one mile and I believe Fairy Auk will probably account for Fairy Ousel. Gold Clause is good for an each way bet as he has about the best chance of creating an upset. The field will probably be on the small side.

WAN CHAI STAKES

I do not think Shanghai 4 will accept here in view of the colossal weight of 170 lbs. he has to shoulder, so will leave him out of the reckoning. Hogmanay looks attractive to me in spite of 162 lbs. Cloudy Star will offer great opposition in this event as he can carry weight and seems to like a distance run. Rothery Bay and Iron Knight are others with fair chances.

MA KOK HANDICAP (FIRST SECTION)

Radium Star is exceptionally fast over sprint distances and is the most likely one to win this half-mile event. Heddon is a very good bet and Dow Jones and Lucky Eleven are the ones that will pay well if they create an upset.

NAM WAN HANDICAP

The issue should lie between Gold Coin and Night View in this event, with the chances in favour of the latter. Fel Ying should place and Golden Cow is about the best of the remaining entrants.

MA KOK HANDICAP (SECOND SECTION)

New Bedford will probably start favourite but there is a chance that he will be beaten by King's Envoy. National Anthem and Mac's Adventure are both good sprinters and should not be neglected in this half mile race. The dark one to follow, I am told, is National Dignity.

CONSOLATION STAKES

Make your own selections in this final event as all the starters would have performed earlier in the afternoon and punters should be able to gauge their chances fairly accurately.

ADVERTISEMENTS

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

NOTICE TO MEMBERS.

FIFTH EXTRA RACE MEETING. GREEN ISLAND HANDICAP.

2nd Day—Monday, 13th May.

In view of the number of entries received for the above, it has been decided to divide the race into three sections.

The third section will be race No. 11 and run at 6.30 p.m.

A cash sweep, tickets \$5 each, will be held on this race but "All through" chances will not participate, and tickets can be purchased only at the Race Course during the Meeting.

By Order of the Stewards,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 4th May, 1940.

THE MACAO JOCKEY CLUB.

The May Race Meeting will be held at Areia Preta, Macao, on Sunday, 5th May, 1940, commencing at 3.00 p.m.

The First Bell will be rung at 2.30 p.m.

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NEED FOR NEW BLOOD IN H.K. TOURNAMENT TENNIS

The need for new blood in local tournament tennis was emphasised by Mr. H. R. Hancock, President of the Hongkong Cricket Club, in a short address, prior to calling on Miss Helen Lindell, daughter of Mr. Justice R. E. and Mrs. Lindell, to give away the prizes at the conclusion of the Colony Championships yesterday evening.

Mr. Hancock referred to the excellent performance put up by "Smiler" Rumjahn on Wednesday when he captured the Open Singles title for the fifth time, and to the equally good display given by the Rumjahn cousins and the Tsui brothers yesterday in the final of the Open Doubles.

"The Rumjahn cousins have won this event for how many years in the past, I do not know," said Mr. Hancock and, without wishing to be disparaging in any way, I feel there is the need for new blood in local tournament tennis.

After a few words of appreciation of the excellent services of officials who had contributed so much toward the success of the tournament, he called upon Miss Lindell to give away the prizes.

PRIZE WINNERS

The prize winners were as follows:—

Open Singles—S. A. Rumjahn; Tsui Wai-pui.

Open Doubles—S. A. Rumjahn and H. D. Rumjahn; Tsui Wai-pui and Tsui Yuh-pui.

Club Championship—M. Pagh; C. B. Fay.

Handicap Doubles—B. O'M. Deane and N. Spence; Surg. Capt. G. V. Hobbs and Surg. Comdr. C. B. Nicholson.

Mixed Handicap Doubles—T. A. Pearce and Miss J. Armstrong; R. C. Beaven and Miss J. Smalley. Miss Lindell was presented with a bouquet of carnations in a silver vase as a souvenir of the occasion.

NEW COURSE

9.24 H. and Mrs. Overy

9.32 D. Black, A. A. Bremner

9.40 Mrs. Kerr, Mrs. Wood

10.00 Col. Shackleton, Capt. Reidy

BASEBALL SEASON TO OPEN ON MAY 18

"H.B." Team Should Be Season's Best

Local baseball enthusiasts will be pleased to know that, at last, a definite date has been fixed for the opening of the local baseball season which is scheduled for Saturday, May 18, while May 14 has been fixed for the closing date for entries.

At present, indications are that competitors will include the Hongkong Baseball Club, Chung Hwa, U.S.S. Mindanao, Royal Engineers, and the H.B. Club.

It has been persistently rumoured that other probable entries are the Sing Toi Jih Po and Eastern Athletic Club, although no confirmation has yet been received from official sources.

The five sure starters mentioned above, have been putting in plenty of hard work, whipping their teams into shape and there is every prospect that fans will be given the opportunity of seeing the Chung Hwa gang in action against either the Mindanao or Asheville, tomorrow morning.

THE OLD BATTERY

Despite the little information that has leaked out from the Chung Hwa camp, it appears fairly certain that their old battery of Earl Wong and Nip Lum will be the firing line when the umpires call play ball. The club will be represented by their regular veterans, no news talent having been discovered, and it looks very much as though the Chinese boys will have a lean season, unless, of course, the old wonder-worker Abe Liu manages to find new life in the old carcass.

The H.B. gang will be the squad to watch this year, having, as they do, last year's championship U.B. squad almost intact, with slugger

Dave Leonard in the pilot's berth. With the discovery of Tony Mascavage's hurling ability, the Mindanao gang will again be in the thick of the fight and, with Fogchase calling the plays, the directorship will certainly be in good hands.

THE SAPPERS

The Royal Engineers are newcomers to competitive baseball and must be considered still too green to trouble the stronger aggregations. In a practice session, on Thursday evening, the Mindanao boys had little difficulty in taking the Engineers by 21 tallies to 6, against the hurling of Denyer and Sarsfield. The losers took an early lead with some deceptive late hitting that caused plenty of trouble to the opposing right hander, but the Mindanao boys, aided with homers by Red Todd and Badrick, turned on the heat and scored practically at will during the remainder of the game.

THE BALL CLUB

"Doc" Molthen has had the Hongkong Baseballers doing their chores twice a week and is confident that his boys will put up a much better showing than they did last year. It is unfortunate that Recreio will not be represented this season, as they have plenty of material for the building of a successful squad, especially if the Gosano brothers could be persuaded to take the field. Even at this late date, it is to be hoped that some Recreio sparkplug will endeavour to work up enough enthusiasm amongst his clubmates, so that our Portuguese community will again be represented on the local baseball diamond.

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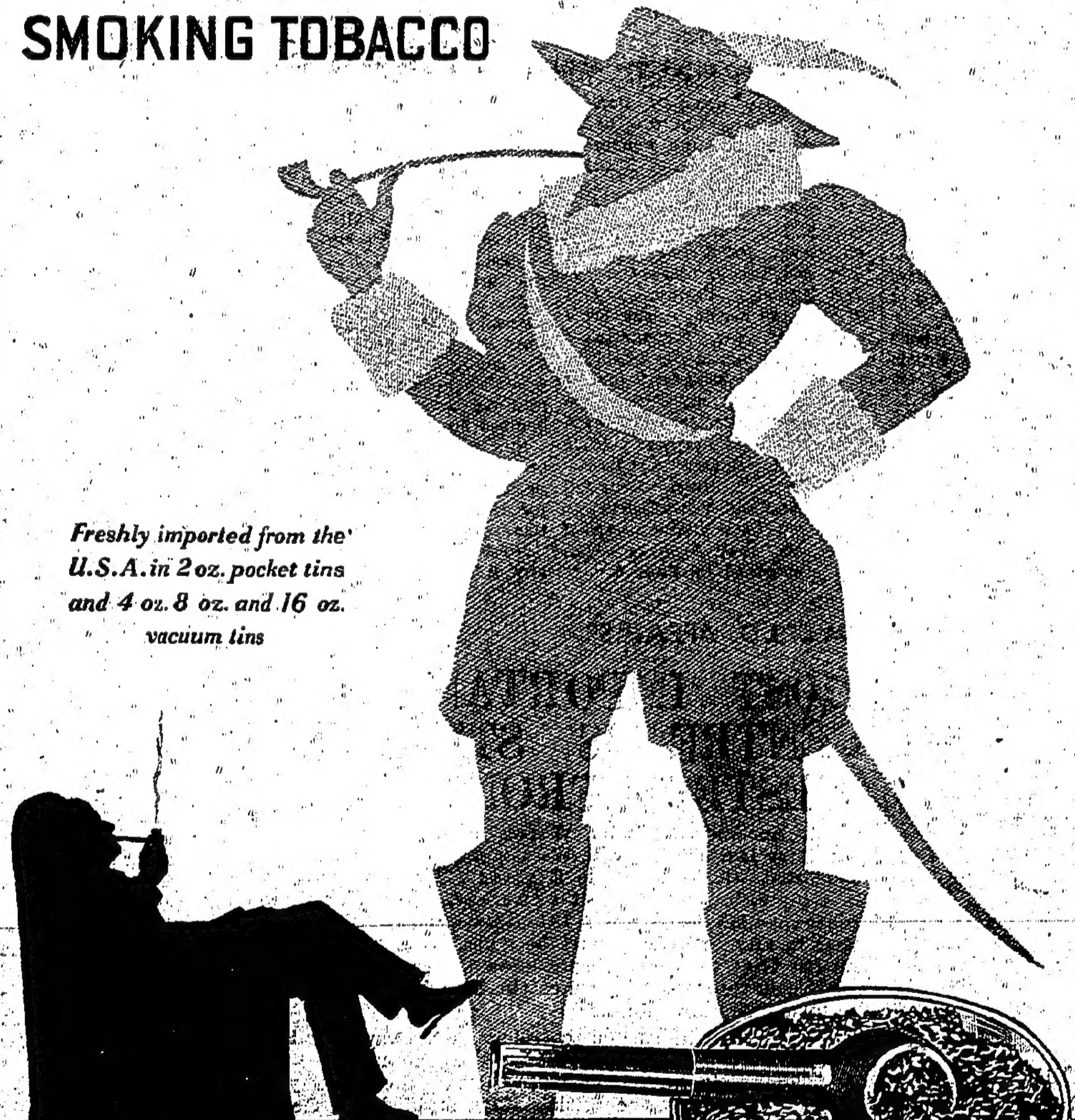
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SOFTBALL IN MACAO Softballers, who intend making the trip to Macao next Sunday, are reminded to advise the league secretary or their own managers whether they are British subjects or not and also whether, or not, they have valid passports. This should be done as soon as possible, as there is little time left in which to complete all necessary arrangements.

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ATHLETICS.—Combined Schools Athletic Meeting (Caroline Hill), 2 p.m.

CRICKET.—Second Division League Play-off, I.R.C. v. Police (I.R.C. ground, Sookunpoo) 2 p.m.

HOCKEY.—St. Andrew's Club Six-a-Side Tournament ("Y" ground) 2.30 p.m.

LAWN BOWLS.—First Division: Club de Recreio "A" v. Craigen-gower; Kowloon B.C.C. v. Kowloon C.C. Civil Service v. Indian R.C.; Kowloon Docks v. Police; Club de Recreio "B" v. H.K.F.C. Second Division: Craigen-gower v. Talkoo Club; Kowloon Tong v. Kowloon B.C.C.; Police R.C. v. Kowloon F.C.; H.K.C.C. v. Club de Recreio; Kowloon C.C. v. Civil Service. Third Division: Indian R.C. v. Kowloon F.C.; H.K. Electric v. H.K.C.C.; Prison Officers v. H.K.F.C.; Kowloon B.C.C. v. Craigen-gower.

YACHTING.—Closing Cruise of Royal Hongkong Yacht Club and Rowing Regatta (Middle Island, Deep Water Bay).

TOMORROW

ATHLETICS.—Indian Recreation Club Annual Sports Meeting (Club ground), 1.30 p.m.; Kwong Wah Athletic Association Annual Sports (Police Football Ground), Boundary Street, 10 a.m.

RACING.—Macao Jockey Club Race Meeting at Areia Preta, Macao, 3 p.m.

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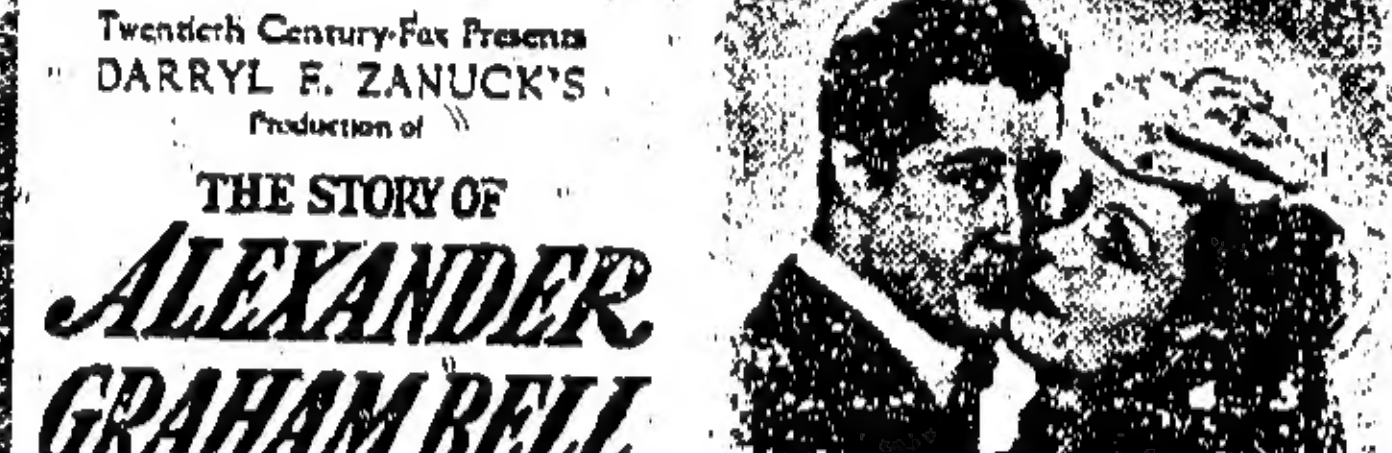
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FORMOSA'S DAY

CHUNGKING, May 3 (Reuters)

Formosan revolutionary organization gave a tea reception at the Sheng Sheng Garden yesterday afternoon on the occasion of Formosa's National Day.

Among guests invited were members of the Japanese Anti-War League, the Korean Volunteer Corps, and the Chungking Women War-time Service Corps.

Messrs. Hsu Kwang-nan, and Liu Chi-kwang, Formosan representatives, told about the formation on May 2, 1895, by Formosan revolutionists of a Formosan Republic, and the struggle of the Formosan revolutionists against Japanese oppression during the past forty years.

Tickets sales for the 1940 Golden Gate International Exposition opened on March 25 and ran for sixty days. General admission for adults will be 50 cents, youngsters 13 to 18 inclusive 25 cents and children under 12 only 10 cents. Combination tickets are even more reasonable.

NEW JAPANESE RAILWAY

KWEILIN, May 3 (Central)

The Japanese are reported to be feverishly building a railway connecting Nanning in south Kwangsi and Yamhsien in southwest Kwangtung.

More than 20,000 Chinese have been commandeered by the Japanese to build the railway and a large quantity of construction materials has been shipped to Lungmoon on the Yamhsien coast. Some 1,000 Japanese engineers and workers have been transferred to Yamhsien from south Kwangsi.

The Japanese expect to complete the new railway in four months.

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12.15 p.m. Short Service of Intercession.

12.30 P.M. Titterton (Tenor) and the New Light Symphony Orchestra.

Zampa — Overture (Herold) — New Light Symphony Orchestra.

Beauty's Eyes (Tosti, Weatherly) — Frank Titterton (Tenor) with Fred Hartley & His Quintet.

Spanish Dance No. 1 — Oriental (Granados) — New Light Symphony Orchestra.

In An Old Fashioned Town (Squire) — My Dear Dou (Sanderson) — Frank Titterton (Tenor) with Piano accompaniment.

"Princess Ida" Selection (Sullivan) — New Light Symphony Orchestra.

1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Variety with Len Green, Dinah Miller and the Mills Brothers.

Vocal — Long About Midnight (Mills, Hill) — The Mills Brothers.

Blackbirds of 1936 — The Mills Brothers (Four Boys and a Guitar).

Piano — Medley (Laurie) — My dance: Marie Louise. It's easy to remember Vienna in Springtime; The Bridal Waltz; A Street in old Seville — Len Green with String Bass and Drums.

Vocal — Lost My Rhythm, Lost My Music. Lost My Man (film "Soft Lights and Sweet Music") — The Mills Brothers.

Love You Wendling-Lewis — Dinah Miller (The Personality Club) with Orchestra. Piano — Medley — Intro. W. were so young; Paris in the Spring; Fare the well, Annabelle — Len Green with Drums. Vocal — Miss Otis Re-gets (from "Hiddle-diddle") — My Wendling-Lewis (Rosalind Johnson) — The Mills Brothers.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Latest Dance Music.

Fox-Trot — They Would Wind Him Up and he would whistle; Slow Fox-Trot — You Never Miss The Old Faces — Jack Payne and His Band. Fox-Trot — Rumba — Fox-Trot — The Gucho. Serenade — Ambrose and His Orchestra. Swing Fox-Trot — Oh! Johnny, Oh! Johnny, Oh! Lying in The Hay — Arthur Young and Hat-chett's Swing featuring Stephanie Grappelli and Beryl Davis. Slow Fox-Trot — Careless — Fox-Trot — Seventeen Ranges — Ambrose and His Orchestra. Fox-Trot — The Lady On The Camero; Chatterbox (from "Hiddle-diddle") — Fox-Trot — Ambrose and His Orchestra.

2.15 Close down.

6.00 Compositions of Brahms.

Waltzes, Op. 39—Nos. 7 to 12—Annette Keltan (Piano). Academic Festival Overture, Op. 80—Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra, conducted by Bruno Walter. Ever softer grows my slumber, Op. 105, No. 2; Lullaby, Op. 48, No. 4—Elizabeth Schumann (Soprano) with Orchestra. Sonata in F Minor, Op. 120, No. 1—Lionel Tertis (Violin) and Harriet Cohen (Piano); Intermezzo — Op. 117, No. 2—Eileen Joyce (Piano).

5.50 Orchestral Selections.

Overture "Masaniello" (Auber) — The B.B.C. Symphony Orchestra conducted by Adrian Boult. Le Prophete — Coronation March (Meyerbeer) — Bournemouth Municipal Orchestra, conducted by Sir Dan Godfrey.

7.03 Verdi's "Il Trovatore" Act 1. With Corrado Zambelli, Bianca Scacciati, Ida Mannarini, Francesco Merli, Enrico Molinari, and Chorus of La Scala, Milan, with the Milan Symphony Orchestra.

7.30 London Relay—The News.

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Harry Roy's Stage Show.

Harry Roy and His Orchestra (recorded at the actual performance at The Garrick Theatre, Southport).

8.17 Concert Waltzes.

My Darling Waltz (from The Gipsy Baron) — Strauss — Berlin State Opera Orchestra conducted by Dr. Leo Blech.

Acceleration — Waltz (John Strauss, arr. Hohn) — Orchestra Mascotte.

8.30 Variety with Ken Harvey, Lupa Lane, Gracie Fields, Charlie Kins and Denickson and Brown.

Vocal and Piano — One Morning In May (Parish and Carmichael) — You Oughta Be In Pictures (Heyman and Suesse) — Denickson and Brown. Comedienne — The Girl In The Blue Gown (Parish) — In Me "Oscopio" (Harper-Haines) — Gracie Fields accompanied by Fred Hartley and His Orchestra. Vocal — Billy Williams' Songs — Intro. Why can't we have the sea in London? Here we go again — Lupa Lane and His Lambeth Walkers with Orchestra. Piano — Charlie Kunz Piano Medley No. 2. Intro. In a Little Gipsy Tea Room; Old Mammy Mine; Anything Goes; Hunting Me; Jump on the Wagon; When Day is Done — Charlie Kins. Vocal — Billy Williams' Songs — Intro. When Father Papered the Parous; I wish it were Sunday night tonight — Lupa Lane and His Lambeth Walkers with Orchestra. Baritone — A Musical Journey From New York to California — Intro. Give my regards to Broadway; Bye, Bye, Blues; St. Louis Blues; California, here I come. The World Is Waiting for the Sunrise (Selig) — Ken Harvey with Instrumental Quartet. Comedienne — They All Make Love But Me (Evans) — Lupa Lane (Harvey) — Gracie Fields with Orchestra.

8.45 London Relay—"At the Black Dog".

Mr. Wilkes at home in his own bar-parlour.

8.15 London Relay—News Summary.

9.30 Local sport results.

9.33 B.B.C. Recording—"West from Bristol".

A Programme devised and produced by Francis Dillon.

10.02 Latest Variety.

Humorous Vocal — In The Quarter-masters' Store (Reed and Others); We're All Together Now (film "Guiliver's Travels") — Margatroyd & Winterbottom with Orchestra. Swing Music — Give Out (Miller and Others); Yodel In Swing (Hughie Prince — Don Raye) — Sid Phillips Trio with The Greene Sisters. Short Sketches — The Super-Het (Clayton); A Record Broadcast (Clayton) — Parlophone Sketch Company. Vocal and Piano — It's A Lovely Day Tomorrow (Berlin); A Small Cafe By Notre Dame (Mills) — Leslie Hutchinson. Fox-Trot — When You Come To The End Of A Journey — The Organ. The Dance Band and Me with Vocal Refrain.

10.30 London Relay — "The Revenge".

Ballad of the fleet. Words by Ten-nison.

11.00 London Relay—"London Log".

11.15 Dance Music.

Fox-Trots — I'm Happy When You're Happy (from "Hide and Seek"); The First Time I Saw You (from "Toast of New York") — Jay Wilbur and His Band. Fox-Trot — The Way You Look Tonight (film "Swing Time") — Waltz — The Waltz in Swing Time (film "Swing Time") — Johnny Green and His Orchestra. Fox-Trot — Blossoms on Broadway (from the film) — I Still Love To Kiss You Goodnight (film "2nd Street") — Carroll Gibbons and the Savoy Hotel Orchestra. Tangos — El Que A Hierro Mata; Siempre Unidos — Orquesta Tipica Francisco Canaro. Fox-Trots — When April Comes Again! With All My Heart (film "Her Master's Voice") — Jack Payne and His Band. Swing Step — Stoop! You're Breakin' My Heart (film "Artists and Models"); Slow Fox-Trot — Everything You Said Came True — Jack White and His Collegians. Waltz — Dancin' In The Firelight — Henry Jacobs with His Correct Dance Tempo Orchestra. Slow Fox-Trot — Sleepy Time, Gal; Quickstep — Marie-Victor Streiber and His Ballroom Orchestra.

12.00 midnight. Close down.

TOMORROW

RECITAL BY ERICH FORGES FROM THE STUDIO

London Relays

10.00—11.00 a.m. Relay of Morning Service from St. Joseph's Church.

12.15 p.m. Bizet's "Carmen" Act III.

With Aurora, Buades, Aureliano Perile, Irma Mon, Ebe Tiozzi, Giuseppe Nesi, Artide Baracchi, Ines Alfani, Teitini, Benvenuto Franci and Chorus of La Scala, Milan, with the Milan Symphony Orchestra.

12.45 Bizet—Dance Bohemienne.

London Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Walter Goehr.

1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Studio — Another "Musical Cocktail" by Erich Forges (Piano) (from Jimmy's Kitchen).

1.23 Orchestral Interlude.

Toy Land Medley — Intro: Teddy Bears' Picnic; Wedding of the Painted Doll; Parade of the Tin Soldiers; Punch and Judy Show; The Toy Train — Antoin and The Paramount Theatre Orchestra, London, with Reginald Poort (Organ).

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Borlize—Overture "King Lear", Op. 4.

The B.B.C. Symphony Orchestra conducted by Sir Adrian Boult.

2.00 A Light Orchestral Programme with Gitta Alpar (Soprano).

"The Maid of the Mountains" — Selection (Fraser-Simson) — The London Palladium Orchestra cond. by Richard Cross. I Give My Heart (from the film); The Dubarry (film "I Give My Heart") — Gitta Alpar (Soprano) with Orchestra. "Les Cloches de Corneville" — Selection (Planquette) — De Groot and His Orchestra. No More (Cochran's Revue "Home and Beauty"); Sing Something in The Morning (Cochran's Revue "Home and Beauty") — Gitta Alpar (Soprano) with Orchestra. Come To The Ball (from "The Quaker Girl") — Monckton — Orchestre Louise with Vocal Refrain by Fitzgerald.

2.30 Close down.

7.00 Half an hour with Beethoven.

Six Variations On A Theme by Von Paisiello — Wilhelm Kemnitz (Piano).

Overture "Coriolan" Op. 82 — The B.B.C. Symphony Orchestra conducted by Sir Adrian Boult. The Bliss of Pensive Melancholy, Op. 83, No. 1; With A Coloured Ribbon, Op. 83, No. 3 — Elizabeth Schumann (Soprano) with Piano accompaniment by George Revere. Sonata in F Sharp Major, Op. 73 — Egon Petri (Piano).

7.30 London Relay—The News.

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report, and Announcements.

8.03 B.B.C. Recording—"D'Ye Ken John Peel?"

A programme in honour of the famous Cumberland huntsman. Written and Produced by William Mac-lurg.

8.25 London Relay—"A.P.H."

Songs and sketches by A. P. Herbert.

8.15 London Relay—News Summary.

9.30 "The Voice of the Nazi"—5.

A talk recorded by Professor W. A. Sinclair.

9.45 Handel—Concerto Grosso, No. 2, Op. 6.

The Boyd Neel String Orchestra.

10.00 Cesar-Franck—Choral No. 1 In E Major For Organ.

COMING EVENTS

MAY

4—Tides: High 7.46 a.m. and 8.02 p.m. Low 1.02 a.m. and 1.48 p.m.

Sunrise: 5.48 a.m.; Sunset: 6.53 p.m.

South China A.A.: Athletic Meeting, Caroline Hill.

Lawn Bowls League starts. Claims against estate of Herbert Johnson Codge due.

H.K. and Yaumati Ferry Co., Ltd. Annual Mtg. Jordan Rd. Ferry Pier, 11 a.m.

St. Andrew's Club Seven-a-Side Hockey Tournament.

St. Andrew's Church Hall Dance, 8.30 p.m.

St. John's Hall, H.K. University—May Day Fair, 11 a.m.—9 p.m.

Cottage Club Cavalcade, 4 p.m.

St. Andrew's Annual Sunday Schools Festival, Church Ground, 3 p.m.

China Youth Day 21 Anniversary: Meeting at Canton University, 9.30 a.m.

West Country Society Dance, Peninsula Hotel, 9 p.m.

R.E.W.O.'s and Serge's Mess: Whist Drive and Dance, 8.30 p.m.

Canton University Students' Assn. Dinner, Cafe Windsor, 7 p.m.

5—Tides: High 8.09 a.m. and 8.45 p.m. Low: 1.31 a.m. and 1.52 p.m.

Sunrise: 5.48 a.m.; Sunset: 6.53 p.m.

H.K. Softball League Exhibition Games in Macao.

Indian Recreation Club Sports, 1.30 p.m.

Annual Six-a-Side Hockey Tournament, 2 p.m.

"Sam White" Bowls Match—Recreo v K.B.G.C.

Kwong Wah A.A. Annual Sports. Police Football Ground, 10 a.m.

6—Tides: High 8.26 a.m. and 9.26 p.m. Low: 2.10 a.m. and 3.06 p.m.

Sunrise: 5.47 a.m.; Sunset: 6.54 p.m.

First Aid Lectures by Dr. Dovey at S.C.M.P. start, 5.30 p.m.

Reception at Government House, 6 p.m.

Crown Land Sale, P.W.D., 3 p.m.

H.K.F.A. Council Meeting, 5.30 p.m.

Halcyon Circle Meeting at residence of Mrs. G. van Wylick, 4 p.m.

7—Tides: High 8.45 a.m. and 10.05 p.m. Low: 2.40 a.m. and 3.45 p.m.

Sunrise: 5.47 a.m.; Sunset: 6.55 p.m.

H.K. Rotary Club, Tiffin Mtg., 1 p.m.

St. Andrew's Church: Wedding—Joyce-Woolley.

Monthly Meeting of H.K. Football Referees' Assn. and Lecture, 8 p.m.

St. John Ambulance Assn. & Brigade Hqs. First Aid Lecture, 5.30 p.m.

8—Sale of Work at School for Deaf, 3.30 p.m.

10—Claims against estate of Andre Charles Eugene Brand due.

Inspection of H.K.V.D.C. Nursing Detachment at St. John's Cathedral Hall, 5.45 p.m.

Anglo-Chinese Tiffin at H.K. Hotel, 1 p.m.

11—R.E.O.C.A. Social.

H.K. Jockey Club's Fifth Extra Race Meeting at Happy Valley.

13—H.K. Jockey Club's Fifth Extra Race Meeting at Happy Valley.

14—Lawn Tennis League Sports.

China Underwriters' Ltd. Annual Meeting, 4a Des Voeux Road, 12 noon.

16—Concert by Mme. Francesca Denies at Peninsula Hotel.

17—Chinese Industrial Co-operatives Dinner Dance and Cabaret, Peninsula Hotel, 8 p.m.

H.K. Referees' Assn. Whist Drive, Hotel Cecil, 8.30 p.m.

18—Claims against estate of Blanche Cooke and Helen Moffat Dods due.

Entries close for Y.M.C.A. Swimming Gala.

19—Cathedral Women's Fellowship Mahjong Drive, Cathedral Hall.

20—Peak Club: Bridge and Mah-jong Drive in aid of B.W.O.F., 3 p.m.

22—Canton Insurance Office, Ltd. Annual Meeting, (Jardine, Matheson and Co. Ltd.), 12 noon.

23—Diocesan Old Boys' Assn. Annual Meeting, 5.30 p.m.

Claims against estate of Dame Mary Ann Ackroyd due.

Albert Schweitzer (Organ).

1016 Studio — Sunday Evening Epilogue.

1035 Close down.

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CHINESE TROOPS READY FOR TSINGCHENG PUSH

Japanese Tank Drive In Hupeh Held Back

CHUNGKING, May 3 (Central)—A military spokesman said in an interview yesterday that the Japanese on the Nanchang front had called in reinforcements five times but had been defeated with serious losses.

According to the spokesman, the Japanese who penetrated into Tsingnan and Fenghsin, respectively northwest and west of Nanchang, were practically all wiped out. Remnant Japanese fled to Sunfow on the south bank of the Liao River.

In south Shansi, both Linchuan and Yangcheng which fell into Japanese hands on April 23 and 24 respectively were recaptured on April 25 simultaneously, the spokesman claimed. After defeating the Japanese at these two towns, the Chinese advanced toward Tsingcheng.

CHINESE NEAR TSINGCHENG

Following seven days' bitter fighting, the Japanese in the outskirts have been cleaned up. The Chinese are now ready to launch a general attack on the city itself.

Chinese "mopping up" operations in the Chungtiao Mountain area are progressing smoothly, while the Chinese troops driving toward the Taokou-Chinghua Railway in north Honan are making headway, the spokesman declared.

Following a lull, fighting in north Hupeh and south Honan has been renewed, according to field dispatches. In the Chung-siang-Yangtzu sector in north Hupeh, the Japanese have been increased to about 8,000. Under a terrific artillery barrage and with tanks as the spearhead, they drove toward the Chinese positions nearby on May 1. Units were also sent to turn the Chinese

flank. However, the Japanese drive was repulsed with heavy losses.

CROSS-RIVER FIGHT

Japanese forces in Sinyang, on the Peiping-Hankow Railway in south Honan, have launched a northward drive. They made an abortive attempt to cross the Hwai River. The opposing forces are reported to be still facing each other across the river.

Other Japanese units pushing to Pingchangkwan and Changtarkwan are being held at bay.

BRIDGES BLOWN-UP

Chinese mobile units have been exceptionally active in east and north Honan in the past week. They swooped down on Kweteh and Mamuchih, on the Lunghai Railway east of Lanfeng, a few days ago and killed a number of Japanese. Two large railway bridges were dynamited.

Changyungpu, south of Sinsiang in north Honan, was also attacked and the rails there were torn up. More than 2,000 Japanese attacked the Chinese positions west of Po Ai a few days ago. They have been held in check near Changping.

COMFORT MISSION IN CHENG TU

CHUNGKING, May 2 (Central)—Led by Mr. Pan Kuo-chu, 35 members of the Chinese Comfort Mission from the South Seas arrived here yesterday.

After inspecting reconstruction work here, they will leave for the front to comfort the soldiers.

In an interview, Mr. Pan expressed gratification at the remarkable progress achieved in the country under the capable leadership of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek.

Mr. Tan Kah-kee, well-known Chinese industrialist in Singapore, will also arrive here from Chungking in a few days.

WU CHUNG-HSIN RETURNING

CHUNGKING, May 2 (Central)—Gen. Wu Chung-hsin, Chairman of the Mongolian and Tibetan Affairs Commission, who recently attended the enthronement of the 14th Dalai Lama at Lhasa as the special envoy of the National Government, is now on his way back to Chungking, the Tibetan capital, on March 22. He stayed for three days during which he had an interview with the Anchin Hutuktu who pledged his unreserved support to the National Government.

JAPANESE ATROCITY

CHUNGKING, May 2 (Central)—One hundred and fifty-four civilians at Kuanyintang on the Tsingpu-Shanghai highway to the west of Shanghai, were slaughtered on April 27, in a second "mopping up" campaign against guerrillas in that area, according to a Shanghai report.

Over 1,000 people were killed in Kuanyintang in the first campaign some days ago. As a result of the two operations, less than 100 infirm and destitute people are left in what was once a prosperous area.

Spain Stays Neutral

UNLESS TERRITORY VIOLATED

MADRID, May 3 (Reuter)—The uncertain state of relations between the Allies and Italy, emphasised by the closing of the Mediterranean to British shipping, is taken with remarkable calm here.

The opinion is becoming more emphatic that unless Spanish sovereignty in the Balearic Islands or elsewhere is violated, Spain will remain neutral.

Mr. A. T. Lennox-Boyd told the House of Commons that the Government is actively considering ensuring that the Norwegian civil population in the areas where British troops are operating will be supplied with food.

NO WAR FOR JAPAN

HER HANDS ARE QUITE FULL

TOKYO, May 3 (Reuter)—Japan's determination to maintain her policy of non-involvement in the European war was emphasised by the Prime Minister, Admiral Yonai, in a speech to a conference of local Governors today.

He added "simultaneously we are paying close attention to the effects of the European war on East Asia and we are taking appropriate steps whenever they are necessary."

"In such an international situation, we must be fully prepared to face great difficulties, both at home and abroad, in fulfilling the great mission on building up a new order in East Asia."

Allied Fleet Is Near Mediterranean Basin

Premier Compares Naval Losses In Speech

LONDON, May 3 (Reuter)—Continuing his statement on operations in Norway in the House of Commons, Mr. Chamberlain said that it would seem from these figures, that whereas the strength and efficiency of the Royal Navy had been little, if at all affected, the injury to the German Navy had been so as to alter the entire balance of naval power and to permit the important redistribution of the main Allied fleets.

"In this connection," he continued, "I might mention that it has been thought possible to divert the more normal distribution of ships in the Mediterranean which for some time has been affected by our requirements in the North Sea."

BIGGER NAZI LOSSES

"The British and French battle fleet with cruisers and auxiliary craft is already in the eastern basin of the Mediterranean on its way to Alexandria."

Turning to the Norwegian campaign, Mr. Chamberlain said that the German losses amounted to many thousands.

"It is far too soon to strike the Norwegian balance sheet yet," he said, "for the campaign has merely concluded a single phase in which it is safe to say that if we have not achieved our objective neither have the Germans achieved theirs. Their losses are far greater than ours."

WILL NOT BE TRAPPED

"We have no intention of allowing Norway to become a sideshow but neither are we going to be trapped into such a dispersal of our forces as would leave us dangerously weak at the vital centres."

"We know that our enemy holds the central position. They have immense forces always mounted ready for attack and an attack can be launched with lightning rapidity in any one of the many fields."

"We know that they are prepared and would not scruple to invade Holland or Belgium or both."

"Or it may be that their savage hordes will be hurled against their innocent neighbours in south-east Europe."

MUST SEIZE CHANCES

"They might well do more than one of these things — attempt a large scale attack on the Western Front or attempt a lightning swoop on this country."

"It would be foolish indeed to reveal to the enemy our conception of the strategy which is best calculated to secure their defeat."

"But this can be said—for it is obvious—that we must not so disperse our forces as to weaken our freedom of action in vital emergencies which may at any moment arise."

"We must seize every chance as we have done and shall continue to do in Norway to inflict damage upon the enemy. But we must not allow ourselves to forget that a long term of strategy will win the war."

"Let me repeat that what I have said is only an interim statement. Certain operations are in progress and we must do nothing which might jeopardise the lives of those engaged in them."

"SUB" GETS U-BOAT

PARIS, May 3 (Reuter)—A French communiqué reports activity of contact units. An encounter between patrols in the Vosges turned to our advantage. During the operations in the North Sea, one of our destroyers was seriously damaged. One of our patrol ships was sunk by a mine. On the other hand one of our submarines torpedoed an enemy submarine.

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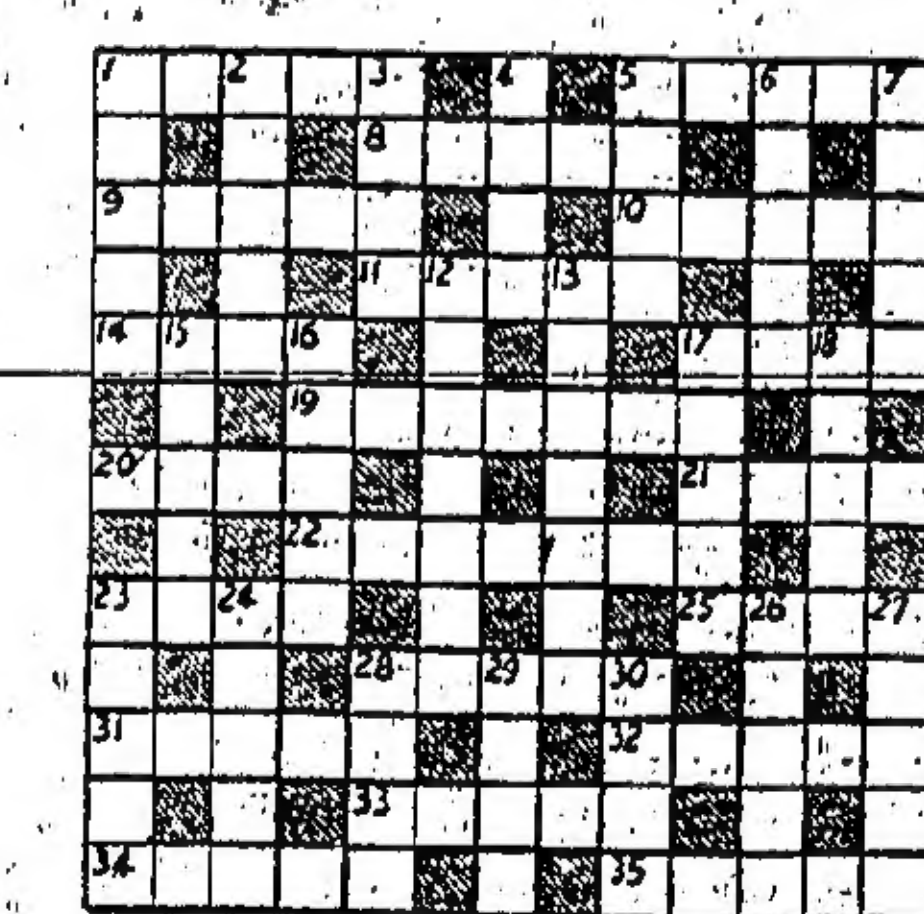
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SOLUTION ON MONDAY

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SOLUTION—ACROSS: 1, Pathos; 4, Psalms; 8, Got; 9, Sinner; 11, Orator; 12, Sabre; 13, Eleven; 16, Abate; 18, Dire; 19, Canker; 23, Fender; 25, Daub; 28, Trade; 29, Master; 31, Smear; 33, Remote; 34, Lowest; 35, Leg; 36, Sorted; 37, Dental.

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HONGKONG PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY

PRODUCTION IN AID OF B.W.O.F.

The annual general meeting of the Hongkong Philharmonic Society will be held at the Jacobean Room of the Hongkong Hotel on Wednesday next, May 8, at 5.30 p.m. when the following report will be presented for the year ending Mar. 31, 1940:

EXCESS OF INCOME

The Income and Expenditure Account reveals an excess of income over expenditure of \$408.27 on the year's working.

The membership of the Society, including those temporarily absent from the Colony numbered 38 Vice-Presidents and 110 Ordinary Members.

The programme for the season was arranged in June, 1939, but on account of the European War had to be curtailed to a great extent. The Committee met on October 10, 1939, and decided that in spite of the adverse conditions the first part of the season's programme should be adhered to if possible. It was further decided that all profits derived from the production should be donated to the British War Organisation Fund.

SUCCESSFUL PRODUCTION

The Committee was most fortunate in having placed the production in the capable hands of Mr. W. Robertson and Surgeon-Captain G. V. Hobbs, R.N., as Producer and Musical Director respectively. Difficulties which appeared to be insurmountable were overcome and the Musical Comedy "No! No! Nanette" was successfully presented at the Queen's Theatre in December. Dances and Ensembles were arranged by Miss Carol Bateman. Band Parts were written at very short notice by Mr. H. B. Jordan, A.R.C.M., and the heavy task of supervising the design and painting of scenery was undertaken by Captain A. C. Houghton ten days prior to the production.

The difficult lighting arrangements were most ably handled by Mr. R. C. Butler. To all of these members together with many others who gave their valuable services in connection with the production the thanks of the Society is most gratefully tendered. The Committee wish to place on record their indebtedness to Mr. C. S. Rosset of Messrs. General Amusements, Ltd., and the Staff of the Queen's Theatre for their whole-hearted co-operation throughout the production.

B.W.O.F. BENEFITED

The production resulted in a profit of \$1,180.07 and this amount has been placed at the disposal of the British War Organisation Fund.

During the previous year the nominal rental charged for the storage of scenery, electric fittings, etcetera, was increased to the standard rate. The depreciated figure shown in the Balance Sheet represents a very small proportion of the actual value to the Society of these effects, but in view of the phenomenal increase in storage fees the Committee was at one period seriously considering disposal. Arrangements have now been made whereby the properties are housed free of charge and the Society is greatly indebted to the Management of the Tai Koo Dockyard and Engineering Co. for their most generous action in granting the Society this valuable concession.

The accounts have been audited by Messrs. Thomson & Co., Chartered Accountants, to whom the thanks of the Society is due.

TRAFFIC CASES

The management of Messrs. Alex Ross Motor Company, of Chater Road, was fined \$20 by Mr. H. G. Sheldon at the Central Court yesterday for failing to inform the traffic department of the change of ownership of a car on April 20.

H. J. Tebbut, of Messrs. Davies, Brooke and Gran, was fined \$5 for parking his car over the time limit in Chater Road on April 17.

Appearing on two counts of parking over time and driving a car without an appropriate driver's licence, K. P. Harding, of Abernethy Court, May Road, was fined a total of \$10.

A fine of \$5 was imposed on J. H. Potts, of Messrs. Benjamin and Potts, who pleaded guilty to a summons of driving a car in Duddell Road, a thoroughfare closed to traffic, on April 16.

"Black-out" Offences

THEATRE MANAGER CAUTIONED

Four summonses for offences against the blackout regulations were dealt with by Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at Kowloon Court yesterday.

Ho Kai-ling, manager of the Prince's Theatre, was cautioned for having allowed an unshaded light to be left burning in the theatre's booking office during the period of blackout on April 11.

Mr. W. Grinton, of No. 28, Carnarvon Road, 1st floor, was fined \$5 for having left a light burning on the 1st floor that could be seen from the street.

Defendant explained that he had two small reading lights in the room and the window was covered, as per regulation, by two thicknesses of curtain.

He had been told about 9.40 p.m. by a police constable that the lights showed, and had switched them off. At 11.20 p.m. he heard over the radio that the blackout was over and had then switched the lights on again.

Mrs. D. Kovack, of No. 4, Ashley Road, second floor, was fined \$10 for having allowed a light to be kept on burning that was visible from the street. Defendant explained that she had left for the cinema after the first all clear at 9.20 p.m. and had forgotten to switch off the light.

WITNESS TO BE CALLED

Mrs. Greenberg, proprietress of the Chardhaven Hotel, appeared on a summons for allowing a light to be kept on in a first floor room of the hotel facing south five minutes after the warning siren began sounding at 8.25 p.m. Defendant said she understood that the lights could be kept on as long as the siren was sounding. Mr. Macfadyen explained that the light should have been out within three minutes from the first sounding of the signal though the siren would continue for a full seven minutes.

Mrs. Greenberg then pleaded that the light was not a bright enough one to be seen from the street, and stated that she desired to call a witness. The case was adjourned for hearing.

WARNED TO LEAVE H.K.

Following a remand of seven days for her to take prison life, a 22-year-old married woman, Lei Pui-ling, who pleaded guilty last week to a charge of theft of jewellery and clothing to a total value of \$262, was cautioned and warned to return to her country. Lei went to stay with her relative, Kwan Fuk, at No. 44, Tai Yuen Street and disappeared the next morning with the jewellery and clothing. She was later arrested in Kowloon.

Detective-Sergeant V. Morrison prosecuted.

WHY DO MINES EXPLODE ON OUR SHORES?

Many of the public are under the impression that according to international law a mine, which comes adrift from its moorings must automatically be rendered harmless, and they cannot understand why, if that is so, drifting mines should have been exploding on the shores of Cheung Chau and elsewhere in Hongkong.

THE FACTS

What are the facts? Article 3 of the Hague Convention of 1907 (to which Great Britain subscribed) provided that—

"When anchored automatic contact mines are employed, every possible precaution must be taken for the safety of peaceful navigation."

British mines conform with this provision. If they break adrift, a switch (operated by a powerful spring) is broken as soon as the strain is taken off the mooring rope. After that a ship has nothing to fear; the mine cannot be exploded by contact with the projecting horns. There is in fact no case, in this or in the last war, of a ship under way being seriously damaged by a drifting British mine. Thus in the words of the

ABORTION ALLEGED

Hearing was commenced before Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at Kowloon Court yesterday of the case against two women, Tong Sau-wah, 28, and Kwong So-ching, 29, described as a nurse, charged with having procured a miscarriage for a woman, So Ying, the wife of a Chinese vernacular school teacher, at No. 277 Shanghai Street, second floor.

Det.-Insp. A. E. Carey said that So Ying had become pregnant in December last, year. In January, first defendant sold them a medicine for \$2 and gave them verbal instructions what to do with it. The instructions were carried out, but with no result.

On March 13 first defendant agreed to procure an abortion for the woman.

The woman developed a high temperature and on March 20, her husband took her to see Dr. Wong Wa-kwan at the Kowloon Hospital. She was seen also by Dr. E. L. Gosano.

Hearing of the case will be continued on Monday, Mr. W. M. Brown is appearing for the first defendant.

Chase After Snatcher

Yesterday noon, just as a party of Japanese were about to enter a car near Blake Pier, a Chinese street urchin approached them and deftly snatched a fountain pen from the breast-pocket of one of the party.

The young pickpocket, headed for the Star Ferry with the fleetest of the Japanese after him, the pursuer caught up with the urchin and grabbed him by his shirt, but the culprit smartly slipped it off and tried to make away again.

The Japanese however, caught him a second time and gave him a couple of cuffs, but let his quarry go.

A Portuguese gentleman advised the victim to catch the pickpocket again and take him to the authorities. A second chase ensued through Ice House Street and De Voeux Road, in which Mr. Yusuf Khan, of the Hongkong Post Office staff, and a Reserve Police officer, took the leading part.

The Reserve Police officer cornered the runaway in a blind alley, where he was caught, and the Japanese took the urchin in a taxi to the Central Police Station.

FORGERY ALLEGED

Appearing before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Court yesterday on a charge of forgery, Man Sau-sam, 39, medicine dealer, was remanded for seven days.

The defendant was alleged to have forged an endorsement on a bill of lading which was utilised for the delivery of goods to the approximate value of \$3,100.

Mr. P. Wynter-Blyth, appeared on behalf of the complainant, Mul Chiu-wing, also a medicine dealer, while Mr. A. S. K. Lau was for the defence.

Bail was granted at \$5,000 in two securities.

N.Y.K. Luxury Ship Here On Maiden Trip

RECEPTION ABOARD NITTA MARU

A large and prominent gathering of Hongkong residents responded to the invitations sent out by the Nippon Yusen Kaisha to a cocktail party on board their new luxury liner, Nitta Maru, which arrived yesterday on her maiden trip.

The guests were received by the master of the vessel, Capt. K. Ogawa, and his officers and were conducted on a tour of inspection. The Nitta Maru (17,200 tons), a sistership of the two other new liners now being completed for the N.Y.K. service, is admittedly a beautifully constructed vessel and drew remarks of admiration from everyone for her splendidly equipped decks, saloons, cabins, etc.

The sisterships of the Nitta Maru now being completed in Japan are the Yawata Maru and the Kasuga Maru.

All those present at the reception yesterday were presented with souvenirs and illustrated brochures giving particulars of the liner.

The function was a most successful affair and the guests were treated with lavish hospitality.

PASSENGERS FOR HONGKONG

The following passengers disembarked at Hongkong from the Nitta Maru:

Mr. S. Bushman, Mr. E. Debs, Mr. L. H. Friedmann, Mr. Ko Ishii, Mr. H. Kawamoto, Mr. T. Matsumoto, Miss I. Minoda, Mr. H. Norinura, Mr. T. Okamoto, Mr. and Mrs. K. Okazaki, Mr. T. Ozaki, Miss Y. Ozaki, Mr. and Mrs. T. P. O'Connor, Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Perrin, Miss M. Perrin, Mr. S. Seki, Mr. and Mrs. J. Sasaki, Mr. M. Sugiyama, Mr. Y. Saito, Mr. S. Tomie, Mr. N. Taketo, Mr. Ramchand Thandwardas, Mr. B. Yoshioke, Mr. T. Yoshida, Mrs. M. L. Allison, Mrs. A. Marie de Carvalho, Mr. S. Gotoh, Mr. A. Ithara, Mr. H. Mori, Mr. B. Nisizawa, Mr. S. Ohnishi, Mr. F. Okuno, Mrs. Y. Sugimoto, Miss A. Sakai, Mrs. E. Sasaki, Miss H. Sasaki, Mrs. Hazel Nisbet Tolletson, Mr. C. Watanakase, Mr. M. White, Miss J. A. Anderson, Mr. M. Awata, Mr. K. Iwasaki, Miss E. Kaneko, Miss S. Okada, Mr. K. Otsuka, Mr. I. Mamyama, Mr. B. Morimoto, Mrs. T. Nagano, Mr. E. Nagano, Mr. Keito Sai, Mr. U. Sibano, Miss Y. Sugimoto, Mr. Michita Tanie, Miss N. Tutiya, Mr. K. Wakaluka.

There were in addition to the above 73 passengers in transit bound for Manila. These included two Members of the Japanese House of Representatives, Mr. Hitooshi Ashida and Mr. Kurano-suke Oyama.

PASSENGERS DUE

The following passengers are due to arrive at Hongkong on May 17: Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Fazalbhoy, Mr. J. Namenwirth, Mr. J. W. Beeber, Mr. J. B. Botelho, Sister Mary Curley, Mr. Cho Min Chung, Mr. Chow Sih Hong, Capt. Paul Heesch, Mrs. A. H. Johnstone, Mr. G. F. Lee, Mr. Loo Kol Sam, Mrs. A. B. Myhre, Mrs. Ng Yee Moy, Mstr. Allen Leong, Mstr. Benny Leon, Dr. and Mrs. W. W. Pettus, Miss B. Watters.

ARRIVALS IN HONGKONG

The following were among the passengers who arrived in Hongkong yesterday by an American vessel.

Mr. J. Arnold, Mr. I. H. Geare, Mr. F. Spengler, the Hon. George de la Barra and Mrs. Barra, Mr. Chas. M. Williams.

The following were passengers in transit: Mr. H. T. Frost, consultant architect of the U.S. Government, en route to Manila, accompanied by his wife;

Mr. Rudolf Friml, the well-known Composer of Light Operas, some of which are "The Firefly" and "Rose Marie," who is on a tour of the Orient;

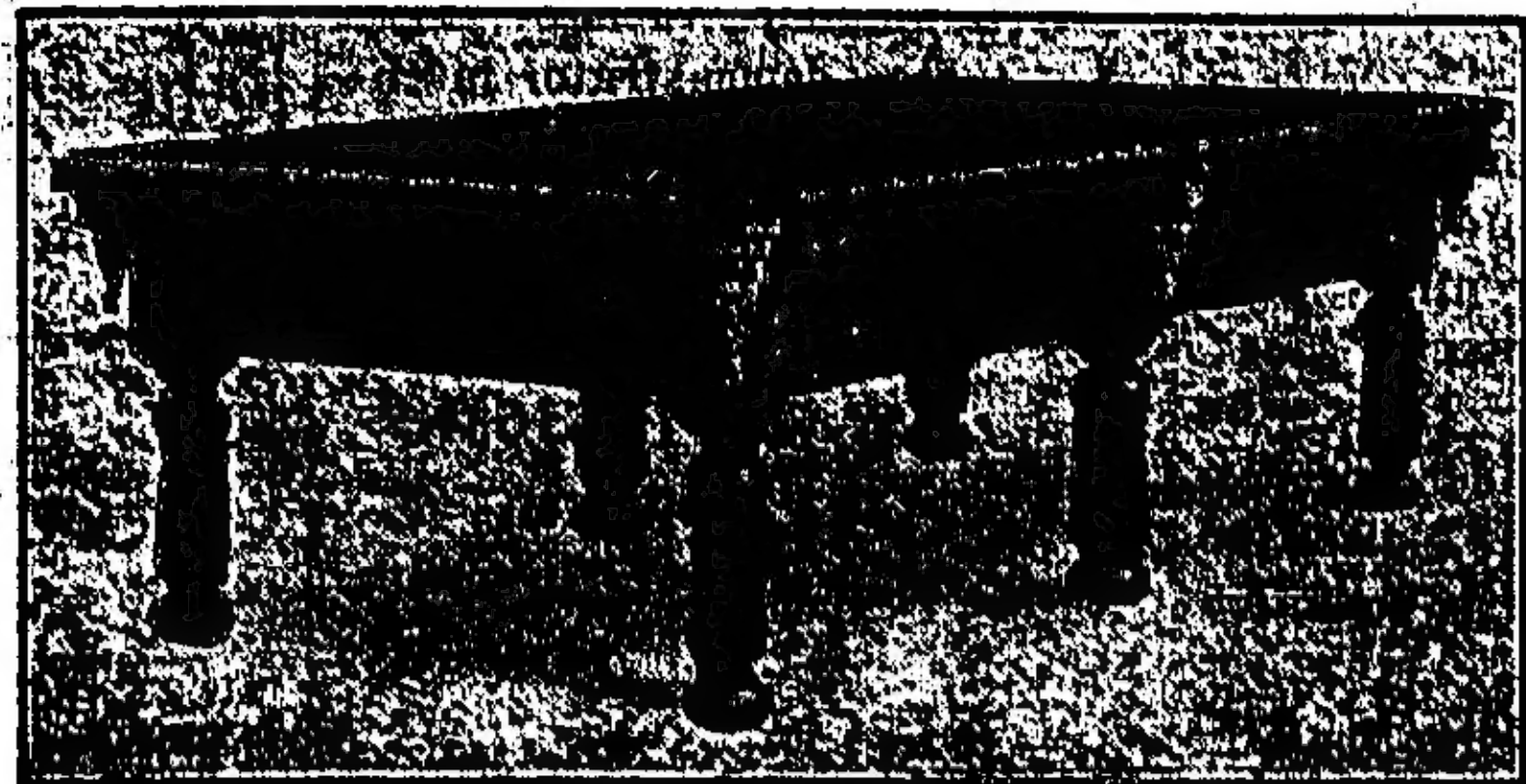
Mr. J. H. Marsman, President of Marsman & Co., of Manila, who is returning home after a business trip to the United States, accompanied by his wife;

Mr. L. N. Perry, President of Perry, Spencer & Co., Investment Bankers of Chicago, who is on a vacation trip to Manila, accompanied by his wife and daughter;

Mr. Antonio Ramos, Treasurer of the Commonwealth of the Philippines, who is returning to Manila after a business visit to America;

Mr. and Mrs. James C. Wendell, Socially prominent New Yorkers, who are on a pleasure trip through the Orient.

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HEALTH RETURNS

Twenty-six cases of tuberculosis, 10 of dysentery, four of measles, three of enteric fever, two of diphtheria and one of cerebro-spinal fever, were reported to the Health Authorities for the 24 hours ended at midnight on May 2.

Comdr. G. H. William, en route to Manila to take over new duties as Dispensing Officer of the Cavite Navy Yard;

Comdr. A. G. Robinson, who is in transit through to Manila to take command of the U.S.S. Marblehead.

OTHER ARRIVALS

Others who arrived in the Colony by the same boat were: Mr. G. Arzul, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Avramow, Mrs. I. M. Baxter, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Bradford, Mr. John

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Cargo will be delivered ex godown to consignees' craft and/or lorry by the Wharf Company at half the Company's Tariff rate for Coolchire Storing.

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Any person found on the premises without Authority will be prosecuted.

By Order,

C. M. MANNERS,
Secretary & Manager.

CHINA UNDERWRITERS, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Sixteenth Annual Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders of China Underwriters, Limited, will be held at the Offices of the Company, 4A, Des Voeux Road Central, Hong Kong, on Tuesday the Fourteenth day of May, 1940, at noon for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors and a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1939, and of electing Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer Books and Register of Members of the Company will be closed from the 6th May, 1940, to the 14th May, 1940, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

HERBERT R. STURT,
Managing Director.
Hong Kong, 1st May, 1940.

THE INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE OF GENERAL MEETING.

The Fifty-ninth Ordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held at the Offices of the General Managers, Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Pedder Street, Hong Kong, on Thursday, 30th May, 1940, at noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, passing the Accounts, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 23rd May to 13th June inclusive.

By order of the Board,

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.
General Managers,
Hong Kong, 16th April, 1940.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

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The above work to be carried out in accordance with plans deposited with the Director of Public Works.

L. C. F. BELLAMY,
General Manager.

Hong Kong 2nd May, 1940.

THE CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

The Fifty Ninth Ordinary Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on Wednesday, the 22nd May, 1940, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Agents, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended "the 31st December, 1939.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 8th May, to the 2nd May, 1940, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.,
General Agents.

Hong Kong, 1st May, 1940.

SUCCESSFUL 8TH ANNUAL DINNER

More than 150 persons attended the eighth annual dinner of the Hongkong Y's Men's Club, which was held last night at the Metropolitan Hotel and which was a great success in every way.

Mr. C. P. Wong, the President, welcomed the guests.

Mr. Wong spoke of the work in connection with the Boys' Club at the Kowloon Chinese Y.M.C.A. run by the Club.

TRIBUTE TO OFFICERS

Tribute was also paid by the President to the officers of the Club who had worked energetically during the year.

Special Honour Lapel Buttons were then presented by Dr. F. I. Tseung, District Governor for South China, to the following Past Presidents:—Dr. S. W. Phoon, Dr. Li Shu-pui, Mr. Peter H. Sin, Mr. Y. K. Chow.

Dr. Tseung, as a Past President, was also presented with a button by the President, while Mr. S. B. Tan, long connected with the Y's Men's movement in Hongkong, was presented with a special button for his work as first President of the Canton Club.

A programme of entertainment and games followed. Orchestral selections were given by the Y's Men's Orchestra, while songs were rendered by Miss Chan Mei-lan, Mrs. Sylvia Choy and Mr. Gaston D'Aquino, with Prof. E. Gualdi at the piano.

Messages of greetings were received from Shanghai, Singapore and other places in the Far East.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Mr. S. M. Churn and family tender sincere thanks to relatives and friends for their kind expression of sympathy in their recent bereavement.

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OMINOUS SIGNS

THERE ARE OMINOUS signs in Europe—indications of the likelihood of the hostilities spreading to other quarters of that Continent with further devastation and suffering to the peoples whose countries will be involved in the conflagration. These signs and portents appear to be the immediate result of the progress of the hostilities in Norway. The temporary setback which the Allied forces appear to have suffered in their determination to help Norway to beat off her invaders has, unfortunately, had greater reactions on the rest of Europe than was expected. One fact which the fighting in Norway has proved is that the Allies have, indeed, a formidable foe to defeat. The planned organisation of the Nazis has succeeded in partly retrieving their once precarious position in Norway and, knowing the Nazis and their fanatic leader, it will not be surprising if the flush of this victory will tempt them to another "blitz" move in Europe.

FOR THE MOMENT, at any rate, immediate danger to Sweden seems to have been averted and there has been a marked change in the Nazi attitude towards the Swedes. How much faith the Swedes place in this Nazi gesture is evident from the fact that they have not relaxed their vigilance and preparations to meet the Germans, if the velvet glove now being held out towards them is found to conceal the mailed fist—a favourite trick of Nazi hypocrisy. In any event, Herr Hitler may now be tempted to launch his lightning war at Holland and Belgium to bring his base of operations even closer to his chief enemy—England. The possibilities of this are, happily, fully realised by the Allies and the Low Countries themselves have promptly tightened their defence measures in anticipation of just such a move by the German Fuehrer.

The greater tension, however, is now apparent in the Mediterranean.

THE BALKANS as the next object of attention by the Totalitarian States is regarded as most likely, particularly as Herr Hitler has evidently, from unmistakable trends in Italy, done enough to impress Signor Mussolini of the so-called invincibility of his fighting strength. With a share-out in the Balkan prize held out as a bait, Il Duce appears to be willing to lend himself to be the dupe of the German dictator and the reports of the movement of Italian troops to the Yugoslav border lends colour to the view that Italy is inclining more and more towards joining her Axis partner. The Allies have countered this move by following up their decision to close the Mediterranean to shipping with the despatch of warships to Alexandria, which will be their operating base in the event of Italy making an attack on Yugoslavia.

AN ATTACK on the Balkans, however, will bring other neutrals into the conflict. Greece, for instance,

Admiral Noble's Speech At H.K.R.N.V.R. Dinner

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especially impressed by the excellent reports which I have received of the progress made by the Chinese members of the Force.

"You have taken over a great share in the defence of this outpost Colony and by so doing you are contributing invaluable to the Empire's war-effort. I wish you all good luck through the strenuous months and years of war that may be before you; however long and however arduous that service I am fully confident that it will be loyal and worthy done."

It is a pleasure to welcome tonight His Excellency the Naval Commander-in-Chief, members of the Volunteer Advisory Committee and other guests at our sixth annual dinner.

I do not propose to detail the training undergone throughout the year but the pre-war period closed with all branches, except the newly formed European Seamen Branch, at full strength and, I think I may say, trained to a degree which only full-time service ashore and afloat could intensify.

So far Hongkong Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve has not been called upon for general service but it is trained and ready. (Applause)

TRAINING CENTRE

In all ninety Europeans of the Hongkong community are serving. Shanghai as a source of recruitment has been tapped and already eight young officers all of whom have volunteered for general service are in course of training. Were there any guarantee that when trained they would be sent on general service I know that the response from men of Shanghai and other ports in the Far East would be great. Hongkong would then become an important training centre. (Applause)

I would like to thank Colonel E. B. Rose, M.C., of H.K.V.D.C., and Captain W. E. Kirby, of the China Coast Officers Guild, for the practical assistance they have rendered.

The standard of efficiency of officers is such that the great majority is competent to command Auxiliary Craft on general service or to become watchkeepers in larger ships of the Royal Navy.

One officer who was home on leave when war broke out joined the R.N.V.R. anew and is now a Lieutenant with a command on active service. Five officers have been appointed to Motor Torpedo Boats in Hongkong—two to commands.

MESSAGES RECEIVED

Messages of congratulation and good wishes have been received from Admiral of the Fleet Sir Roger Keyes, Bt., G.C.B., K.C.V.O., Rear-Admiral F. Elliot, O.B.E., Rear-Admiral C.G. Sedgwick and Captain Sir Ion Hamilton Bt., Bt., C.B.

I wish to acknowledge and thank the Commodore and members of his staff and departments for guidance particularly in the early days of mobilization, and for ready assistance at all times.

A toast in behalf of members present, also on behalf of those

has a pact with Yugoslavia and the reports of the calling up of her forces to the colours indicates that she is determined to help her partner in the agreement. The Allies have also given an undertaking to Turkey, whose interests and security will be affected by hostilities in the Balkans and the repercussions of this expansion of the war zone will certainly be felt even in the Orient, where the Chinese are now fighting determinedly to stave off the Far Eastern aggressors, who will undoubtedly be quick to seize any opportunity to secure their own selfish and ruthless aims. The extension of the war to the Mediterranean might also cause an infringement of Spain's neutrality if either of the belligerents violate her territory in the course of their operations. The situation is one that is fraught with the gravest of possibilities and the course of events in the next few days will be awaited anxiously by a world which has now resigned itself to a long-drawn-out conflict before victory for the Allied arms can bring a lasting peace with security for the rights of humanity and civilisation.

who are on duty tonight—"Our Guests" coupled with the name of His Excellency the Naval Commander-in-Chief. (Applause).

THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF

Admiral Sir Percy Noble said:—Throughout the whole Empire I am certain that no Naval Volunteer Reserve got down to business and took their duties with more rapidity and with more zeal and efficiency than you here at Hongkong. This would not have been possible had not His Excellency the Governor, your Honorary Captain, at once realised the necessity and given his whole support and authority to your mobilisation.

Commodore Peters has reported to me more than once that the Hongkong Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve is not only always willing to absorb any duty they have been asked to undertake, but frequently come back and ask for more.

Sir Robert Ho Tung has made a generous offer to Government to place at its disposal a River Steamer as a Depot Ship to replace H.M.S. "Cornflower." That ship will, I hope, lead to better conditions of organisation, and Sir Robert Ho Tung's interest and ready help has been much appreciated. (Applause)

THE FUTURE

A word as to the future—the war seems to be intensifying as the Winter vanishes and Spring and Summer approach—your duties are of the first importance to this Fortress Island—continued acquaintance with the approaches to Hongkong, both by day and night, in fog, rain or gale, will pay you when the time comes.

There are those in this Colony who would like to go home in order to take their share of active service and for one reason or another cannot go—these have our very sincere sympathy—but for you who are already trained and ready I am anxious that the door should be open; even if only in small degree as a start.

I am not in a position to make promises but I will do all in my power to help this proposal along the right way—no one can foretell whether this war will lead us or where it will end, but if you can send officers home for general service in the Royal Navy in addition to the work you are doing here, then you can be content in the knowledge that no one can do more.

It is with great pride that I give the toast—the Hongkong Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve, with congratulations on achievement and wishing them a full reward for their effort. (Applause).

HON. COMDR. SHIELDS

Honorary Commander A. L. Shields said:—Since the outbreak of war the Force has taken over the duties for which it was formed and it is a great satisfaction to all ranks to hear from the Commander-in-Chief that these duties have been satisfactorily carried out.

Hongkong is at present a long way from active warfare but the Force is now a unit of a worldwide organisation. As and when their services can be spared from local defence, members will, I am confident, respond to any call for general service. It is gratifying to note that this matter has been placed before the Admiralty.

I would take the opportunity of referring to the news of your approaching departure from the China Station and of extending to you and to Lady Noble the good wishes of the Force.

We will watch your future career with keen interest and feel confident that the war will bring to you promotion and honour in the Service of the Empire. (Applause).

THOSE PRESENT

Amongst many others the following guests were present:—H.E. Admiral Sir Percy Noble, K.C.B., C.V.O., His Honour Sir Athol MacGregor, Kt., Commodore A. M. Peters, D.S.C., R.N., Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster, K.C., Hon. Mr. H. R. Butters, Hon. Mr. T. H. King, Hon. Mr. Lo Man-kam, Hon. Mr. Stanley Dodwell, Hon. Dr. Li Shu-fan, Commodore R. R. McGregor, R.N. Group-Captain H. M. K. Brown, R.A.F., L. C. F. Bellamy, M.C., E. Cock, M.B.E., J. Barrow, C. C. Roberts, H. V. Wilkinson, D.S.O., V. D. Sorby and Lt.-Col. H. B. Rose, M.C.

An enjoyable whistle drive of the Hongkong Football Referees' Association was held at the Hotel Cecil last night. There was a large gathering of members and friends present.

D. H. TAYLOR WINS OPEN SHOT PUT EVENT WITH HEAVE OF OVER 41 FT.

Former C.B.S. Boy First In 100 And 400 Metres

D. H. TAYLOR, OF THE HONGKONG POLICE, WON THE SHOT PUT EVENT AT THE ALL-SCHOOLS SPORTS AT CAROLINE HILL STADIUM yesterday with a heave of 41 feet 2 inches, probably the longest put with the 16-lb. weight in the history of Hongkong athletics.

Taylor's mark was one of three outstanding performances turned in during the day's events. A Lingnan Middle School boy cleared the bar at 5 feet 11 5/8 inches to set an A. Grade record in the high jump, and Ma Tak-kwong, a last minute entry for the pole vault, won the event by going over the bar at 10 feet 9 3/4 inches. Both these marks may be claimed as new Hongkong records.

J. H. Odell, formerly of Central British School, won both the Open 100 and 400 Metres races, returning times of 11.3 secs. and 55.3 secs. In the "quarter" Odell won going away from Heung Kat-sang, the C. A. A. F. champion, and Heung had the further bad luck of being disqualified as he cut in on Odell and ran out of lane.

Drawing the outside track, the C. A. A. F. champion set the pace to lead up to the 300 metres mark but Odell easily outran him over the last 100 metres. Tam Hoi-chuen came in second and Corrigan, the Kowloon Marathon champion, a surprising third.

Lingnan Middle School and Ping Yung School came to the forefront yesterday, sharing points in the field events. True Light Middle School reaped most of the honours in the Girls' section.

THE RESULTS:—

100 Metres: 1. J. H. Odell, 2. Cheung Nai-sing, 3. Sung Pui. Time: 11.3 secs.
400 Metres: 1. J. H. Odell, 2. Tam Hoi-chuen, 3. J. Corrigan. Time: 55.3 secs.

Shot Put: 1. D. H. Taylor 12.55 metres (41 feet 2 inches), 2. Naranjan Singh 11.27 metres, 3. Le W Lane 10.68 metres, 4. Neate 9.29 metres, 5. Lei Wai-yin 9.18 metres.
Pole Vault: 1. Ma Tak-kwong, 2. Chu Fook-sing, 3. Wong King-wang Height: 10 feet 9 3/4 inches.

Ladies' 100 Metres: 1. Miss June Hall, 2. Miss Irene Lopes. Time: 13.8 seconds.

Ladies' Baseball Throw: 1. Miss Ma Mo-ki 54.50 metres, 2. Miss Ma Mo-ping 47.90 metres, 3. Miss T. Noronha 44.80 metres, 4. Miss I. Ferreira 40.90 metres.

ALL SCHOOLS EVENTS

Boys' Long Jump, B. Grade: 1. Wan Kai-hing (Wah Yan), 2. Lai Chung-yin (Wah Yan), 3. Lei Sai-yun (Pui Yung), 4. Hung Ping-kwan (St. Paul's). Distance: 5.75 metres.

NEWSETTES

Mr. K. Okazaki, Consul-General for Japan in Hongkong, arrived in the Colony yesterday.

Mrs. Lin Fon-ming left for Manila yesterday to give exhibitions of paintings by her husband.

Lady Northcote will be present at a meeting of the Halycon Circle at the house of Mrs. G. van Wylick on Monday, May 6, at 4 p.m.

His Excellency the Governor will be present at the Anglo-Chinese Tiffin at the Hongkong Hotel on Friday, May 10, at 1 p.m.

Mr. Julian Arnold, Commercial Attaché of the American Embassy in Shanghai, arrived in the Colony yesterday on a short holiday.

Mr. Chas. M. Williams arrived in the Colony yesterday to take up duties with the Chase National Bank.

Mr. Norman J. Perrin, of Messrs. Thos. Cook & Sons, arrived in Hongkong yesterday from Shanghai, accompanied by Mrs. Perrin and Miss Perrin.

The Hon. George de la Barra, a diplomat of the Bolivian Government, who is on a tour of the Far East, arrived in Hongkong yesterday, accompanied by his wife.

Mr. I. H. Geare, Assistant General Manager of the Standard Vacuum Oil, Hongkong, returned to the Colony yesterday from a business trip to the United States.

Mr. Fred Spengler, late of the American President Line offices at Yokohama, arrived in Hongkong yesterday. He will take over the duties of Passenger Agent of the Hongkong Offices during the absence of Mr. Clague, who is going on home leave.

His Excellency the Governor and Lady Northcote will hold a small reception to meet Mr. Evert Barger and Mr. P. R. T. Wright of the British Relief Unit for Central China, at Government House, at 6.30 p.m. on Monday, May 6.

Appearing on remand before Mr. E. Edwards at the Central Court yesterday Ko Kung-pat, 20, delivery boy, who was charged with the assault on a tram inspector, Wan Kit, was fined \$25, or 14 days' imprisonment.

Further evidence was heard at the Central Court yesterday when two Chinese foremen, temporarily employed by the Public Works Department, appeared before Mr. T. J. Houston on a charge of obtaining a bribe of \$20 from a sub-contractor, Chu Lam. The hearing was further adjourned.

Mr. E. H. Williams, Crown Counsel, sat as acting Puisse Judge in the Summary Court yesterday when the usual Friday case list was heard. The Puisse Judge, Mr. Justice R. B. Lindsay, left for home on leave on Thursday and will be back at the end of the year.

FALL FROM DECK

An employee of Ah King's Slipway, Lam Pui, 41, was admitted to the Kowloon Hospital yesterday with fractured ribs sustained in a fall when he fell from the deck of a steamship, lying off Kowloon Docks, into the hold.

Yu Shins, 40, native of Chiu Chow, was admitted to the Hospital suffering from injuries to his chest sustained in a fight when he was beaten by a crowd of men in Canton Road following a dispute arising from a children's quarrel when several adults took sides and a fight ensued.

DR. WANG CHUNG-HUI SAYS JAPANESE MUST FAIL

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RESIGNATION TO INEVITABLE

FRESH SLUMP IN CHINESE DOLLAR

LONDON, May 3 (Reuters)—Resignation to the inevitable is the attitude of Far Eastern circles regarding the fresh slump in the Chinese dollar.

The Financial News says it is confirmed that there has recently been a marked expansion in speculative activity against currency and maintenance of the rate at 4-1/8 resulted in an increasingly heavy strain upon the remaining resources of the Chinese Stabilisation Fund.

"FREE" POUND

It is believed in London that the recent weakness of the "free" pound encouraged speculative activity against the Chinese exchange which, for some years, was virtually linked to the Pound.

Bankers point out that the vast unheeded issue of the Chinese notes must continue to frustrate the Control's efforts to maintain the exchange but it is generally agreed that the chief trouble is the excess imports over exports.

What level the dollar will ultimately reach "more in keeping with China's general foreign trade" is the subject of painful speculation.

SHAI MARKET NOMINAL

SHANGHAI, May 3 (Reuters)—The exchanges opened this afternoon practically at nominal with Cash rates listed at 3-5/16 d. and 4-3/16 U.S.

Soon afterwards the market gradually eased to 3-1/8 d. and 4-17/32 U.S. respectively, owing to the withdrawals of sellers and lack of confidence. A little business was done.

Gold bars moved to new highs this afternoon of \$7,200.00 as the result of business in exchanges and nervous speculators. The closing saw the rate listed at \$6,900.00 which was up \$250 from the afternoon opening.

The market closed early owing to the very heavy trading which had taken place.

DEBATE

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their policy before and since the German occupation of southern Norway. It is freely admitted even by the critics that the Norwegian pre-invasion attitude of strict neutrality, coupled with the Allies respect for such neutrality, presented serious obstacles to the quick arrival of an expeditionary force.

OPINION SATISFIED

At the same time a large body of opinion seems satisfied that, when the critical moment for Norway came, the expeditionary force and especially its transports so recently made ready for Finland were already dispersed. Whether this is a fact it will probably be one of the major questions which the Government will be called upon to answer on Tuesday.

Many other points of strategy and tactics are the subjects of lively discussion among Members of Parliament. Upon the answers the Government will furnish on Tuesday will depend whether the discussion will be confined to naval and military matters, or whether the Cabinet itself will be attacked on its war policy.

The majority of Ministerial members still believe that there is an effective answer to all these questions. Others are not so satisfied and have their offensive prepared for any moment when they think they are justified in launching it.

The Opposition remains reserved. They are not expected to do anything to aggravate the position pending the Government explanation.

It is probable that the Commons' debate will be over two days.

The House of Lords will discuss the situation on Wednesday.

ATHENS RESERVES CALLED UP

ATHENS, May 3 (Reuters)—Ten classes of reserve officers will be called up for a month's training. They will be called in four series, the first of which must report on May 15. The highest rank of non-commissioned officers are included in the call up.

221 A.D. that the system of competitive examination for literary degrees was introduced, and in this way the best scholars were chosen as officials to rule the country. It has been pointed out that this ancient Chinese system served as a model for the civil service examinations conducted by many foreign governments today.

INDUSTRIOUS PEOPLE

Most of my listeners will observe that my countrymen are as a rule law-abiding and industrious. This is attributed to the ethical teachings of the ancient Chinese sages which have regulated the conduct of our people for thousands of years.

The doctrines of Confucius, Mencius and Lao-tze probably exerted an even greater influence on the intellectual life of China for the past twenty-five centuries than did Socrates, Plato and Aristotle on the West.

Confucius emphasized man's duty toward man and praised such virtues as propriety, justice, integrity, and self-consciousness. Lao-tze, whose teachings are sometimes called Taoism, expounded the philosophy of suppressing desire and allowing things to take their natural course, and also that force would not accomplish as much as gentleness and reason. Five hundred years before Christ, Confucius made a very appropriate saying: "Do not do unto others what you do not like others to do unto you." Today there is more need than ever for the world to put into practice this saying of the great Chinese sage.

RELIGIOUS FREEDOM

While I am still on the subject of ethics, let me say a few words about religion. Throughout China's long history there has been freedom of religious thought, except for a very brief spasm. The first foreign religion to make its appearance in China was Buddhism, which came from India in the early part of the Christian era. Today there are Buddhist temples scattered throughout this vast country.

As for Mohammedanism, the first Mohammedan mosque was built in the year 651 A.D. in Canton, China's southern sea port. The number of mosques is now counted by the thousands and are mostly located in North China.

You will be interested to know that Christianity was brought to this country as far back as the year 635 A.D. by the Nestorian missionary Alopen. The famous Venetian traveller Marco Polo across Nestorian communities during his travels in China seven centuries ago, and particularly noticed the Nestorian chapels in the city of Chinkiang, which is not far from Nanking.

But it was not until the arrival of the Jesuits in the sixteenth century, that Roman Catholic missionary enterprise gained a foothold which enabled expansion to its present proportions.

PROTESTANT MISSION

Protestant mission came later with the arrival of Dr. Robert Morrison in 1807. To Dr. Morrison belongs the honour of making a Chinese translation of the Bible in 1824 in collaboration with his Chinese assistants. Today, both Catholic and Protestant missions, have not only established churches all over the country, but helped to promote the welfare of the Chinese masses by maintaining numerous colleges, schools, orphanages and hospitals.

I should like to point out that philosophy and religion have found China a fertile field, which may be traced to our traditional spirit of tolerance. When asked by one of his disciples what word may govern a man's conduct throughout his life, Confucius answered, "tolerance." Thus, tolerance has been the guiding spirit, not only of our personal but also national life throughout the ages.

The impact of Western culture, with its materialistic outlook, has a beneficial effect on Chinese culture, which is neither purely spiritual nor materialistic.

In attempting to build up a Modern China, Chinese thinkers and leaders have tried to adapt old traditions to modern requirements. The late Dr. Sun Yat-sen formulated his political doctrines and embodied them in the form of the Three People's Principles even before the establishment of the Republic. The Three People's Principles are the Principle of Nationalism, the Principle of De-

mocracy and the Principle of Livelihood. Through these Principles Dr. Sun Yat-sen, the founder of the Chinese Republic, sought to modernize this country and elevate it to a status of complete equality in the family of nations.

In a nutshell, the Principle of Nationalism aims at reviving our national spirit; the Principle of Democracy advocates government of the people by the people and for the people; while the Principle of Livelihood stands for economic development and raising of the standard of living of the masses, and providing them with the necessities of life.

ABRUPT CHANGE

The abrupt change from a monarchy to a republic brought about by the 1911 revolution has raised peculiar problems because of the century-old indifference of the people to social reform. It was to help bridge this gap that the New Life Movement was launched. The Movement which was started by Generalissimo and Madame Chiang Kai-shek in 1934 aims at the regeneration of China through a social movement to reform the habits of the people.

In fact, the New Life Movement emphasizes the importance of acting according to the time-honoured virtues of propriety, justice, integrity and self-consciousness.

The war has given rise to a further interpretation of the four ancient virtues. For instance, propriety means discipline, especially in view of the conscription of able-bodied men for military service. Justice has a new significance in China's present struggle against Japanese aggression; while integrity is now interpreted as spirit and self-consciousness as "the will to victory."

China's wartime slogan is "those who have strength should give their strength, while those who have money should give money." That was why the offer of gold to the State Movement was so successful and the campaign for the "Friends of the Wounded" received such enthusiastic support.

JAPAN'S OBJECT

Japan's object in invading China is not only to enslave four hundred and fifty million people but also to wipe out Chinese civilization and replace it by Japanese militarism.

But in this they will fail ignominiously, for the Japanese themselves are the best anti-Japanese propagandists in the world. Despite all their professions of good intentions, they are judged by their atrocious behaviour, which has horrified the entire world. Whatever the Japanese may do, the determination of our people to carry on our war to a victorious finish cannot be shaken.

This is testified by the results of the Spiritual Mobilization Movement whose object is to enable the people to distinguish between right and wrong, between patriotism and treason. Any Japanese movement, even in Chinese disguise, will fail because the masses of the people know the real meaning of Japanese domination, and actually give their "strength" and money to the nation's cause. Even women near the front do not hesitate to volunteer for such tasks as highway destruction and construction of defences.

RAVAGES OF WAR

Today, Labour Day, should be celebrated by workers throughout the world in an atmosphere of peace. But such is not the case, as the rank and file have to suffer because of the ravages of war. The present disturbed state of affairs may be traced to the invasion of Manchuria or the Three Northern Provinces of China by Japan eight years and a half ago. We in China are confident that Japan, the disturber of peace and order in the Far East, will eventually be brought to book for the wrongs committed by her militarists.

It is axiomatic that peace is indivisible and that there can be no permanent peace in the world unless Japanese aggression is checked. By resisting the Japanese invasion, China is not only preserving her own independence and civilization but also helping to restore world peace and order.

PARIS, May 3 (Reuters)—Today's war communique reports there was some artillery fire during the early part of last night.

Five Times Repulsed

JAPANESE ATTACKS ON CHINGAN

CHUNGKING, May 3 (Reuters)—A Chinese military spokesman, in the course of a weekly review of the Sino-Japanese military situation, at the Press conference yesterday afternoon said that the Japanese counter-offensive in the area west of Nanchang is claimed to have been repulsed.

Although the Japanese rushed reinforcements into that area five times, their attempts to capture Chinggan and Fengsin failed. Both cities are once more in Chinese hands, he added.

CABLE NEWS IN BRIEF

BELGRADE, May 3 (Reuters)—The reports that Prince Paul, the senior Regent of Yugoslavia, had been on a visit to Rumania and had made a secret appeal for aid to King Carol are "entirely without foundation."

WASHINGTON, May 3 (Reuters)—The Italian Ambassador, Prince Colonna, conferred for fifteen minutes with Mr. Sumner Welles yesterday afternoon, and afterwards went to see President Roosevelt.

LONDON, May 3 (Reuters)—In the House of Commons yesterday, Sir John Anderson, the Home Secretary, was questioned with regard to subversive journals and organisations.

WASHINGTON, May 3 (Reuters)—Admiral Stark, Chief of Naval Operations, informed the United States Chamber of Commerce today that the present United States naval strength might not be sufficient to protect the country in the future. He declared that the minimum requirement for self reliance and self-defence was to keep up the Fleet to the 5-5-3 ratio of the Washington treaty.

LONDON, May 3 (Reuters)—The Bucharest paper, Current, in a leading article on Pacific Ocean questions, states that "it is difficult in the present circumstances to find any policy for satisfying Japanese needs."

LONDON, May 3 (Reuters)—It is learned authoritatively that, during last night's raid on Stavanger, a number of hits were registered in many parts of the aerodrome, and several fires started on the landing ground and in the adjoining woods, where aircraft were known to be concealed.

PARIS, May 3 (Reuters)—According to a Rome despatch, it is believed that when the United States Ambassador in Rome, Mr. Phillips, called on Count Ciano, he was given a reassuring statement concerning Italian intentions regarding Yugoslavia.

BERLIN, May 3 (Reuters)—A High Command communique states that Germans entered Aalsandnes at 1 p.m. yesterday.

"ORDERS ARE ORDERS"

Following their recent stage successes in the cause of charity, the Kowloon Cricket Club are launching on a more ambitious scale. Rehearsals are now in full swing for a complete three-act comedy, the piece chosen being "Orders are Orders," the screamingly funny military diversion by Ian Hay and Anthony Armstrong.

The performances will be held on Friday and Saturday, May 24 and 25, at 9.15 p.m. Seats may be booked through members at the Club or Messrs. S. Moutrie & Co., where plans are now open. The proceeds of the performances will be sent to the Overseas League Tobacco Fund.

Belgian Tribute To British Press: Honest Realism

LONDON, May 3 (Reuters)—Brussels papers admit that the Germans have obtained important successes in Norway, but whereas some of them suggest that these are decisive, others take a more objective view.

Many papers pay tribute to the British press for its honest realism and point out that the British public supports ill-tidings better than any other.

The "Nation Belge" says that German losses at sea are undoubtedly heavier than those of the Allies.

The "Meuse" says: "It is notable that the German attacks in the North Sea are becoming rare and raids on British bases are exceptional. This proves, that the Scandinavian efforts are heavy for the Reich. They seem to cost 500 tons of oil daily without counting about 40 transports sunk in the short interval, constituting a serious loss of tonnage, arms, provisions and men."

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NO FRESH NEWS FROM NARVIK

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Pacification of the whole of Norway is progressing and Norwegian troops are being demobilised in Western Norway.

Resistance is being offered to the Germans in isolated places by scattered Norwegian units who do not know the situation.

North of Trondheim the enemy is quiet. In the territory north and north-west of Narvik, the enemy's forces are slowly pushing forward against our positions. The attacks are being repulsed by the German defences.

The communique claims that German naval forces "sunk" two further enemy submarines in the Skagerrak and that several air bases in Norway and Denmark were unsuccessfully bombed by the British.

"PURELY FANTASTIC"

LONDON, May 3 (Reuters)—It is stated that the withdrawal in Norway necessarily involved the loss of certain war equipment but the German claim to have "captured" "inestimable quantities of booty" is described as "purely fantastic."

In this connection it is pointed out that it was extremely difficult to land supplies of heavy guns and war material.

FLEET AIR ARM

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ward, Naval aircraft had been supporting our forces on land against a vastly superior air force working from shore bases.

At Vaernes three large hangars were destroyed and other buildings on the aerodrome damaged. Two grounded enemy bombing aircraft were destroyed and nine seaplanes at their moorings were successfully attacked with bombs and machine-gun fire.

Operations of this magnitude must inevitably be attended by some losses and it is regretted that the crews of six aircraft are missing.

Since the invasion of Norway ships have been exposed to repeated enemy bombing attacks. No logs other than those already announced, have been incurred, while, at least, 20 enemy aircraft have been shot down and others damaged by anti-aircraft gunfire of the Fleet.

ALLIES MUST NOT LEAVE FUTURE INITIATIVE TO THE VIOLATORS OF LAW

PARIS, May 3 (Reuters)—Commenting on Mr. Neville Chamberlain's announcement of the withdrawal of Allied forces from central Norway, Excelsior writes:

"In itself the setback is not irreparable, but if the initiative has all the importance which Mr. Chamberlain attributes to it, the Allies must not in the future, because of their respect for law, leave the initiative to the violators of law."

Populaire emphasises that, despite withdrawal, Allied communications with Sweden are safeguarded and the iron ore route remains closed to Hitler.

NOT DESPONDENT

LONDON, May 3 (Reuters)—While frankly admitting that the Allies had suffered a reverse, the newspapers declare that this must not make them despondent but steel their determination to intensify their efforts for the successful prosecution of the war.

There is much criticism regarding the conduct of the war in Norway but some papers prefer to wait for a full statement of the facts in Parliament next week.

The press units in paying tribute to the Royal Navy, Army and Air Force in successfully accomplishing the withdrawals.

The Times says that, "in the light of Mr. Chamberlain's statement, the part in the strategic scheme intended for the force now withdrawn has become clearer. There was a daring movement but the situation demanded audacity, and tactical failure does not prove that the attempt was not justified."

STRATEGIC VICTORY

Referring to the destruction wrought on the German Fleet, the paper says "at a time of growing anxiety in southern and south-eastern Europe, it is a strategic victory in itself that we are able to fortify our control of the Mediterranean by sending the British and French battle fleets into its eastern basin."

Part of our task is to be prepared with an adequate force to meet Hitler in any quarter he may choose to challenge us.

The solution to this problem will call for the most determined efforts and may demand many changes before it is accomplished.

A DISAPPOINTMENT

The Daily Telegraph says that failure "for the present" as Mr. Neville Chamberlain has put it, to recapture Trondheim is a disappointment: it is not the British way to minimise matters.

National experience in many a long war has taught us to respond to checks with renewed and intensified efforts. So ends the first phase of the campaign in Scandinavia.

We failed to capture Trondheim; the Germans failed to conquer Norway and lost their ore supplies from Narvik. There are other phases to follow.

The News-Chronicle declares that the abandonment of our effort, to challenge Germany's hold in the south is a dangerous reverse, calling for re-assessment of both our leadership and the scale and tempo of the national effort.

The Daily Herald declares that the satisfaction was the keynote of Mr. Chamberlain's speech will not soften the shock with which the

public heard the news, nor will it offset the damage to British prestige which the evacuation must have caused throughout the world. The Daily Mail, in a strongly critical leader, declares that there has been a gross under-estimate of the ruthless power and enormous resources of the enemy in the Norwegian campaign.

"BLOW TO PRESTIGE"

Commenting on the withdrawal from Aalsandnes the New York Times says the abandonment of southern Norway is, by whatever standards, a "blow to Allied prestige and a serious setback for Allied strategy."

The paper adds that the British and French people does not bow to adversity or lose courage and determination under fire. They may be relied upon now to strengthen their organisation for the war and steel themselves for the greater task that lies ahead.

The New York Herald-Tribune states that the German hold over their conquest will be an uneasy one on which they to have exhausted energies that might be more useful to them elsewhere.

"EVER READY"

ROME, May 3 (Reuters)—Sensational use was made by the newspapers here of the unfavourable disclosures in Mr. Chamberlain's speech yesterday.

Exaggerated conclusion are drawn about the German strength and the "British colonial amateurism in the Norwegian operations."

The London correspondent of the Popolo di Roma while describing the alleged "British habit of regarding military expeditions as a sort of sporting adventure" realises that "the bigger the licking they get the less discouraged are they—and are ever ready to begin again."

STOCKHOLM DISAPPOINTED

STOCKHOLM, May 3 (Reuters)—There is an undercurrent of disappointment, tinged with bitterness in some of the morning papers' comment on the Allied withdrawal in Norway.

The Dagen Snyheter declares that "if Trondheim could not be taken from the south, we may suppose that it will be still more difficult to take it from the north." The Svenska Dagbladet writes that "despite the victory at Narvik and the past successes of the submarines against German troop transports in the Kattegat and the Skagerrak, the British Fleet has been unable to prevent a regular transport of German troops."

NOT DISCOURAGING

OTTAWA, May 3 (Reuters)—The Montreal Gazette states: "Far from being discouraging, the Premier's announcement should allay the feelings of disquietude which earlier reports from Norway created."

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VOLUNTEER ORDERS

ORDERS BY LT.-COL. H. B. ROSE, M.C., COMMANDANT, HONGKONG VOLUNTEER DEFENCE CORPS

OFFICERS' & N.C.O.'S COURSE
May 6, Those detailed. Council Chamber, C.S.O.: (a) 5.45 p.m. and (b) 8.30 p.m.—Appreciations and Orders, by Col. H. B. Ross, M.C.
May 9, Lecture Room: (a) 5.45 p.m. Preparation of programmes and schemes by Capt. G. E. Neve, H.Q., C.C., (b) 8.30 p.m. Defence Measures, H.K. by Maj. G. R. Way, H.Q., C.C.

M.G. CLASSIFICATION CASUALS
May 5, Kowloon City Range, 9 a.m. Those of the following units who have not yet fired will attend: Mobile Column, No. 1 Company and No. 5 Company.
Dress: Mufti, but webbing belt will be worn.
Range Officers: 2/Lt. W. Stoker and R.S.M. G. H. Calvert.

PARADES

May 17, No parades of any description will take place at H.Q. on this day which involve the use of the drill hall or Parade Ground or the drawing of stores, etc.

Corps Artillery

1st Battery
May 7, Belchers, 5.30 p.m. Layers and D.R.F. Class. Dress: Overalls and S.D. cap.
May 8, Belchers, 5.45 p.m. Lecture by Lt. Squires, R.A. Dress: Overalls and S.D. caps. All ranks should attend this parade.
May 8, Wellington Barracks, 5.30 p.m. D.E.B. Section, Mobile Light Training. Dress: Overalls and S.D. caps.

2nd Battery
May 7: (I) Right Section, H.Q. 5 p.m. for Bluff Head. All qualified layers and Range Takers. (II) Remainder of Right Section and all recruits. Scandal Point, 5.30 p.m.
May 8, Scandal Point, 5.30 p.m. Left Section.

3rd Battery
May 6, Belchers Fort, 5.30 p.m. D.R.F. Class. Dress: Overalls and S.D. caps.

4th Battery
May 7, Queen's Pier, 5.30 p.m. D.E.L. personnel to test lights at Pakshawan. Dress: Mufti. Overalls and S.D. caps to be carried Waterbottles (filled). Haversack rations will be provided.

5th A. A. Battery
May 5, Queen's Pier, 8.30 a.m. No. 2 Section. Overalls to be carried.
May 7, H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Those detailed. Lecture by Lt.-Col. F. D. Field, M.C., R.A. Dress: Mufti.

Field Company Engineers
May 9, K.O.R., 5.30 p.m. Gas Chamber. All members must attend.

Corps Signals
May 8, H.Q. 5.20 p.m. (I) Class A: Classification training. (II) Class B—Signal training. (III) Recruits—Arms drill—L/Cpl. Whitley Mobile Column

Armoured Car Platoon
May 5, Kowloon City Range, M.G. Part II. For details see para. 6 above.

Motor Machine Gun Platoon
May 6, Hung Hom, 5.30 p.m.

Para. 6

May 5, Kowloon City Range. See Para. 6 above.

No. 1 Company
May 5, Kowloon City Range. See para. 6 above.
May 7, H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Those detailed only. Completion of tests. There will be no parades until Tuesday, May 21.

No. 2 Company
May 7, H.Q. 5.30 p.m. N.C.O.'s Class. Guard duties. Belt and frog to be worn.

No. 3 Company
May 6, H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Nos. 9, 10 and 12 Platoons. As in Company Training Programme. No. 11 Ptn. Stripping Component Parts. N.C.O.'s conference.

No. 4 Company
May 10, H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Completion of L.G. T.O.E.T. Recruits—Musketry.

No. 5 Company
May 5, Kowloon City Range. See para. 6 above.
May 7, H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Instruction on Mechanism—Reads 1 to 3 inclusive.

No. 6 Company
May 7, H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Elementary Handling L.G.

No. 7 Company
May 9, H.Q. 5.45 p.m. Musketry. Fire Control Orders and discipline. Army Service Corps Company
May 9, H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Whole Coy. Lecture. Dress—Mufti.

Field Ambulance
May 10, St. Paul's College, 5.30 p.m. Lecture.

Pay Section
May 10, Command H.Q. 5.30 p.m. N.C.O.'s detailed by O.C. Unit.

COMMAND
F/Cadet S. Grove is appointed 2nd-in-Command of the Air Arm w.e.f. 3.5.40.

E. N. THURSBY, Captain.
Adjutant, H.K.V.D.C. Corps

AFFILIATED UNIT
Nursing Detachment, H.K.V.D.C.
There will be an inspection of the Detachment by the Hon. Commandant Mrs. A. E. Grassett on Friday, May 10, at St. John's Cathedral Hall at 5.45 p.m. followed by the presentation of Proficiency medals and First Aid Certificates.
All members are requested to attend not later than 5.20 p.m. Outdoor uniform will be worn and each member may bring one friend. Members who have qualified for Proficiency Medals (having passed in First Aid and Home Nursing and completed Hospital training) must notify the Assistant Commandant before Tuesday next.
The Quartermaster will be at Volunteer H.Q. on Thursday, May 9 from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. for the issue of H.K.V.D.C. Hat Badges. These Badges are to be worn by all members.
Strength-Increase: Mrs. E. A. Hills, 25.4.40.
Strength-Decrease: Miss N. Quinn, 1.5.40.

Sgd. MRS. C. ADDIS-MARTIN,
Asst. Commandant.

FOREIGN MARKETS & QUOTATIONS

MONEY AND
EXCHANGE
CLOSING QUOTATIONS
MAY 3, 1940.

On London:	Telegraphic Transfer 1/8 13/16
Bank Bills, on demand 1/8 13/16	
Credits 4 months sight 1 1/8	
On Shanghai:	
On demand	400
On Singapore:	
On demand	52 1/2
On Japan:	
On demand	91
On India:	
Telegraphic Transfer	82 1/4
On New York:	
Bank Bills, on demand 91 3/8	
Credits 60 days sight 91 1/4	
On Batavia:	
On demand	39 3/4
On Paris:	
Bank Bills, on demand 108 5/8	
Credits 4 months sight 110	
On Saigon:	
On demand	108 1/4
On Manila:	
On demand	48 3/4
On Bangkok:	
On demand	160
On Sterling Notes:	
Bank Buying Rate	1/4
Bar Silver per oz.	51 1/2

Market Report

FROM ROZA BROS
Silver prices rose 1/16 yesterday for both deliveries, the quotations being 21 1/2 for Ready and 21 3/8 for Forward. Silver advances reported India as having bought to a small extent. The market was steady but quiet. American Silver was quoted at 34 3/4 for Spot.

The London/New York cross-

rate was quoted at 402 1/2. New York/London was quoted at 348 1/2.

Sterling

There were sellers at 1/27/8 May/November, buyers at 1/220/32 for Cash.

U. S. Dollars

Business was done at 21 1/2 for May and 21 3/8 for July. Subsequently 21 5/16 was also arranged for July. The market closed at 1 p.m. with sellers at 21 1/2 Cash.

Shanghai Dollars

Opened with sellers at 426 and gradually rose to 443.

Shanghai Market

Opened with sellers of Sterling at 3/8 and then weakened to 3/9/32. Subsequently the market steadied up to 3/5/16 and towards 1 p.m. the market was again quoted at 3/9/32 for Spot. U.S. Dollars opened at 4/7/8 and then receded to 4/25/32. Towards 1 p.m. sellers were reported at 4/13/16 for Spot.

AFTERNOON MARKET

The market was quiet in the afternoon.

Sterling

The market closed with sellers at 1/27/8 May/November, buyers at 1/220/32 for Cash.

U. S. Dollars

Nothing doing. The market closed with sellers at 21 1/2 Cash. 21 7/16 May, 21 3/8 June and 21 5/16 July, buyers at 21 9/16 Cash. 21 7/16 June and 21 3/8 July.

Shanghai Dollars

Opened in the afternoon with sellers at 444 but the rate gradually rose with business done at 457, 460 and 465. The market closed nominal with sellers at 455.

Shanghai Market

Weak. Sterling business was reported at 3 1/8 for Spot.

Shanghai Exchange

Shanghai, May 3 (Reuter). Official T.T. Rates

London 0/3-1/4

New York 4-11/16

Japan 20

India 16

Paris 2/39

Hongkong 21-3/4

Sellers

Spot 0/3-3/8

May 0/3-1/4

U.S. Dollars

Spot 34-7/8

May 4-11/16

Market-Nominal

Merchant Rates

Sterling, 0/3-1/16

U.S. Dollars, 34-7/16

Silver Duty Rate

The Central Bank of China's rate on London at 10 a.m. today was 1/2-1/2d.

The Equalization rate was 13 1/2 per cent.

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COMMODITY MARKET REVIEW
(FROM PAYNE & CO.)

New York, May 2, 1940.				
SINGAPORE RUBBER				
	Previous Closing	May 2 Opening	May 2 Closing	Change
S P O T	35-3/4	35-3/4	36 cts.	up 1/4
JULY-SEPT.	34-1/2	34-5/8	34-7/8	up 3/8
OCT-DEC.	33-5/8	33-3/4	34 cts.	up 3/8

The market was steady but quiet.

LONDON RUBBER

Previous close Today's close				
	buyers	buyers	Change	
S P O T	11-1/16	11-1/8	up 1/16	
J U N E	11-1/16	11-3/16	up 1/8	
JULY-SEPT.	11-3/16	11-1/4	up 1/16	
OCT-DEC.	11-3/16	11-1/4	up 1/16	
JAN-MARCH	11	11-3/8	up 1/8	

The market was quiet but steady.

NEW YORK COTTON: The market is reactionary, induced by

a more favourable weekly weather report than had been expected. Trading and Far Eastern interests bought on the scale down. The spot and textile markets were quiet.

NEW YORK RUBBER: Uncertainty with regard to shipping and

freight situation is causing increasing apprehension. Manufacturers are reported to be good buyers of physicals at around 19 cents level.

CHICAGO WHEAT: A leading private crop estimate shows the

winter crop at 45,000,000 bushels. After further liquidation has been digested, purchases are advisable in anticipation of the many hazards which the crop must face before harvest and an exhaustion of liquidation.

NEW YORK STOCKS: Previous close, 147.13; Today's close,

147.76; Change, up .63.

NEW YORK COMMODITY MARKET
(REUTER'S SERVICE)

Prev. Today's				
	High	Low	Close	Change
New York Cotton, July	10.52	10.48	10.53	.03 off
New York Rubber, July	18.90	18.80	18.66	.21 up
Chicago Wheat, Sept.	105	103 1/2	104 1/2	1/2 up
Chicago Corn, Sept.	66 1/2	64 1/2	65	1/2 up
New York Hides, June	13.59	13.44	13.52	.05 off
NEW YORK COTTON				
May	10.81/81	10.78/78	10.77/78	.04 off
July	10.53/54	10.50/50	10.50/50	.03 off
July (New contract)	10.69/69	10.63/63	10.64 N	.06 off
October	10.17/17	10.12/12	10.07/07	.10 off
December	9.98/98	9.93/98	9.91/91	.13 off
January	9.99 N	9.92/92	9.85/85	.14 off
March	9.88/88	9.82/82	9.79/79	.12 off
Spot	10.96		10.93	.03 off

Total sales Wednesday—27,500 bales.

First notice day for May cotton—22/5/40.

NEW YORK RUBBER

	19.00b	19.20b	20 up
May	18.66/66	18.80/80	.21 up
July	18.37/37	18.45/45	.18 up
September	18.15/15	18.22/24	.18 up
December	18.10 N		.18 up
January		18.28 N	.18 up

Total sales—1,040 tons.

CHICAGO WHEAT

	107 1/2/105 1/2	106 1/2/105 1/2	1/2 up
May	104 1/2/104 1/2	104 1/2/104 1/2	1/2 up
July	104 1/2/104 1/2	104 1/2/104 1/2	1/2 up
September	104 1/2/104 1/2	104 1/2/104 1/2	1/2 up

Wednesday's sales—48,757,000 bushels.

CHICAGO CORN

	64/64	64 1/2/64 1/2	1/2 up
May	64 1/2/64 1/2	64 1/2/64 1/2	1/2 up
July	64 1/2/64 1/2	64 1/2/64 1/2	1/2 up
September	64 1/2/64 1/2	64 1/2/64 1/2	1/2 up

WINNEPEG WHEAT

	88 1/2/88 1/2	88 1/2/88 1/2	1/2 up
May	90/90	90/90	1/2 up
July	91/91	91/91	1/2 up
October	91/91	91/91	1/2 up

NEW YORK HIDES

	13.52/52	13.59/59	13.47/47	.05 off
June	13.78/78	13.85/85	13.78/78	unch.
September	14.06/06	14.106/106	14.025/025	.04 off
December	34-3/4		34-3/4	
New York Official			34-3/4	
NY-London Cross Rate	3.49-5/8		3.48-1/2	

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

LONDON, May 3 (Reuter).—The Stock Exchange yesterday was more active, owing to larger investment interest. Gilt edged advanced steadily and oils recovered after Wednesday's depression. Industrials were irregular though showing numerous gains. Goldminings were steady and Wall Street firm.

Spot, 21-1/2d.

Forward, 21-3/8d.

BOMBAY SILVER

Bombay May, 2 (Reuter). Market—Steady. Offtake 50 bars.

Indian Mint Silver

Ready 60-01

June 3 Settlement 60-03

July 2 Settlement 60-06

Calcutta Exchange

Calcutta, May 2 (Reuter). T.T. on Japan, 90-1/8.

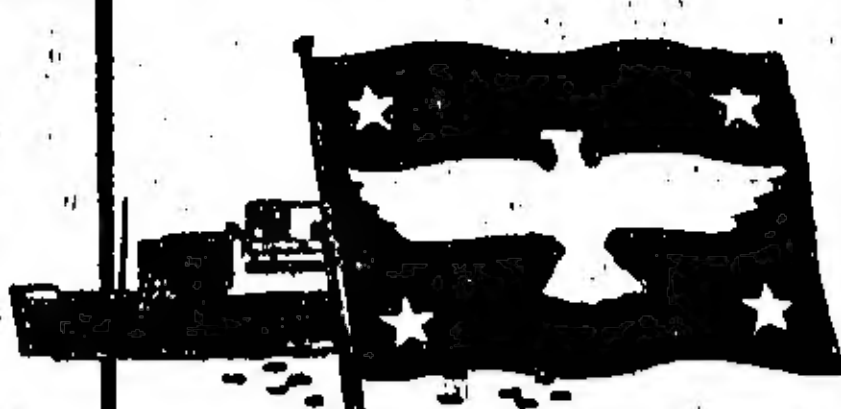
India Rupee Paper

Bombay, May 2 (Reuter). Government 3 1/2 Rupee, 94-00-0 nominal.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE
QUOTATION

MAY 3, 1940.				
STOCKS				
	Last Sale	May 2		Last Sale
Adams Express	74		Kennecott Copper	34 1/2
Allegheny Steel Co.	24 1/2		Lakey Foundry & Mac.	4 1/2
Allied Stores	81		Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass	49 1/2
Allis Chalmers	33 1/2		Lockheed Aircraft	38
Aluminum Ltd.	99 1/2		Loew's Inc.	34 1/2
Amer. Can.	115 1/2		Loft Incorporated	33 1/2
American Cyanamid B.	37 1/2		Mack Truck Inc.	25 1/2
Amer. & Foreign Power	18		Martin, Glen L.	43 1/2
Amer. & Foreign \$7 pf.	24 1/2		McKesson & Robbins, pf.	27
American Gas & Elec.	35 1/2		Monsanto Chemical	118 1/2
Amer. Locomotive	19		Montgomery Ward	46 1/2
Amer. Metals Co.	21 1/2		National Aviation	14 1/2
Amer. Radiator	8		Nat. Dairy Products	17 1/2
Amer. Rolling Mill	14 1/2		Nat. Distillers	25
Amer. Siding & R'ing Co.	49 1/2		National Gypsum	9 1/2
Amer. Sugar Refining	20 1/2		National Lead	20 1/2
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	173 1/2		Nat. Power & Light	8 1/2
Amer. Tobacco "B"	90		National Steel Corp.	64 1/2
Amer. Waterworks	94		National Supply Corp.	9 1/2
Anaconda Copper	29 1/2		New York Central	15 1/2
Atchafalpa, T. & S. Fe.	21 1/2		Niagara Hudson Power	5 1/2
Auburn Motors	—		N. American Aviation	22 1/2
Aviation Corp.	17		North American Co.	22
Baldwin Locomotive	74		Northern Pacific	8 1/2
Baltimore & Ohio	42		Owens-Illinois Glass Co.	62 1/2
Barber Asphalt Co.	15 1/2		Pacific Gas & Elec.	33 1/2
Barnsdall Oil	11 1/2		Pacific Lighting	44 1/2
Bell Aircraft Corp.	—		Packard Motors	3 1/2
Bendix Aviation	34		Pan-American Airways	22 1/2
Bethlehem Steel	83 1/2		Paramount Pictures	7 1/2
Bilco & Co.	18 1/2		Pennsylvania R.R.	21 1/2
Boeing Airplane Co.	24		Phelps-Dodge	35
Borg-Warner	22 1/2		Philadelphia Read. Coal	33 1/2
Bridgeport Brass Corp.	13 1/2		Phillips Petroleum	39 1/2
Briggs Mfg.	22 1/2		Pittsburgh Coke & Iron	7 1/2
Brooklyn-Manhattan Trans.	23 1/2		Public Service of N.J.	41 1/2
Brooklyn-Manhattan S.	107 1/2		Pullman Inc.	24 1/2
Budd Manufacturing Corp.	5		Pure Oil	10 1/2
Canadian Pacific R'way	51		Radio Corp. of Am.	6 1/2
Case, J.I.	68		Reading Company, Com.	15 1/2
Celanese	35		Reading Company, 1st pf.	26 1/2
Chesapeake & Ohio	39 1/2		Remington Arms Co., Inc.	4 1/2
Chrysler Corp.	87		Republic Aviation Corp.	6 1/2
Climax-Molybdenum Co.	35 1/2		Republic Steel	20 1/2
Colts Patent Fire-Arms	81 1/2		Revere Cop. & Brass Inc.	13 1/2
Columbia Gas & Elec.	64		Reynold Tobac. "B"	43 1/2
Columbia 6% "A" pf.	88 1/2		Richfield Oil	7 1/2
Commercial Credit Co.	45 1/2		Safeway Stores	49 1/2
Com. & Southern (Ord.)	14		Schenley Distillers	13 1/2
Consolidated Edison	31 1/2		Sears Roebuck	85 1/2
Consolidated Oil	7 1/2		Shell Union Oil	12 1/2
Continental Can	45 1/2		Socony-Vacuum Oil	11 1/2
Continental Oil	23 1/2		Southern Pacific	12 1/2
Copperweld Steel	23 1/2		Southern Ry \$5 pf.	26 1/2
Cor Products	80 1/2		Sperry	43 1/2
Curtiss Wright (C)	11		Spieler Manufacturing Co.	34 1/2
Curtiss Wright (A)	29 1/2		Standard Brands	7 1/2
Deere & Co.	21 1/2		Stand Gas & Elec.	18 1/2
Distillers Corp. Seagrams	19 1/2		Standard Oil of California	22 1/2
Douglas Aircraft	88		Standard Oil of N.J.	42 1/2
Du Pont de Nemours	187 1/2		Stone & Webster	9 1/2
Eagle Picher Lead	10 1/2		Studebaker Com.	10 1/2
Eaton Mfg. Co.	36		Swift International	29 1/2
Elec. Autolite	39 1/2		Technicolor	15
Elec. Bond & Share	64		Texas Corp.	48 1/2
Elec. Bond & Share \$5 pf.	69 1/2		Texas Gulf Sulphur	34 1/2
Elec. Bond & Share \$6 pf.	69 1/2		Timken-Axle	26 1/2
Elec. Power & Light \$7 pf.	14 1/2		Trans-America Co.	5 1/2
Fisk Rubber	18 1/2		20th Cent. Fox	8 1/2
Flintkote	18 1/2		20th Cent. Fox, 1st pf.	20 1/2
Gen. American Trans.	52 1/2		Union Bag & Paper Corp.	17 1/2
Gen. Electric	38 1/2		Union Carbide & Carbon	81 1/2
Gen. Motors	54 1/2		Union Pacific	95 1/2
Gen. Railway Signal	17 1/2		United Aircraft	48 1/2
Gen. Tire & Rubber	17 1/2		United Airlines Trans.	20 1/2
Gilman Co.	17 1/2		United Corp.	24
Goodrich (B.F.)	16 1/2		United Corp. \$3 cum pf.	37 1/2
Goodrich \$5 pf.	65		United Gas Corp.	18
Goodyear Tire & Co.	21 1/2		United Gas Improvement	12 1/2
Great Northern Iron Ore	14		U.S. Industrial Alcohol	26 1/2
Great Northern Ry, pf.	26 1/2		U.S. Rubber	31 1/2
Great Western Sugar	27 1/2		U.S. Rubber \$8 pf.	99 1/2
Greyhound Corp.	14 1/2		U.S. Steel	59 1/2
Hercules Powder Co.	97 1/2		Vanadium	37 1/2
Homestake Mining	57 1/2		Valve Aircraft	10 1/2
International Harvester	54		Walworth Co.	5 1/2
Int Nickel	29		Warner Bros. Pict.	34
Inter. Paper & Power	20		Westinghouse Elec.	114
Int. Tel. & Tel.	34		Woodward Iron Cor.	26
Johns-Manville	70		Chase National Bank	34

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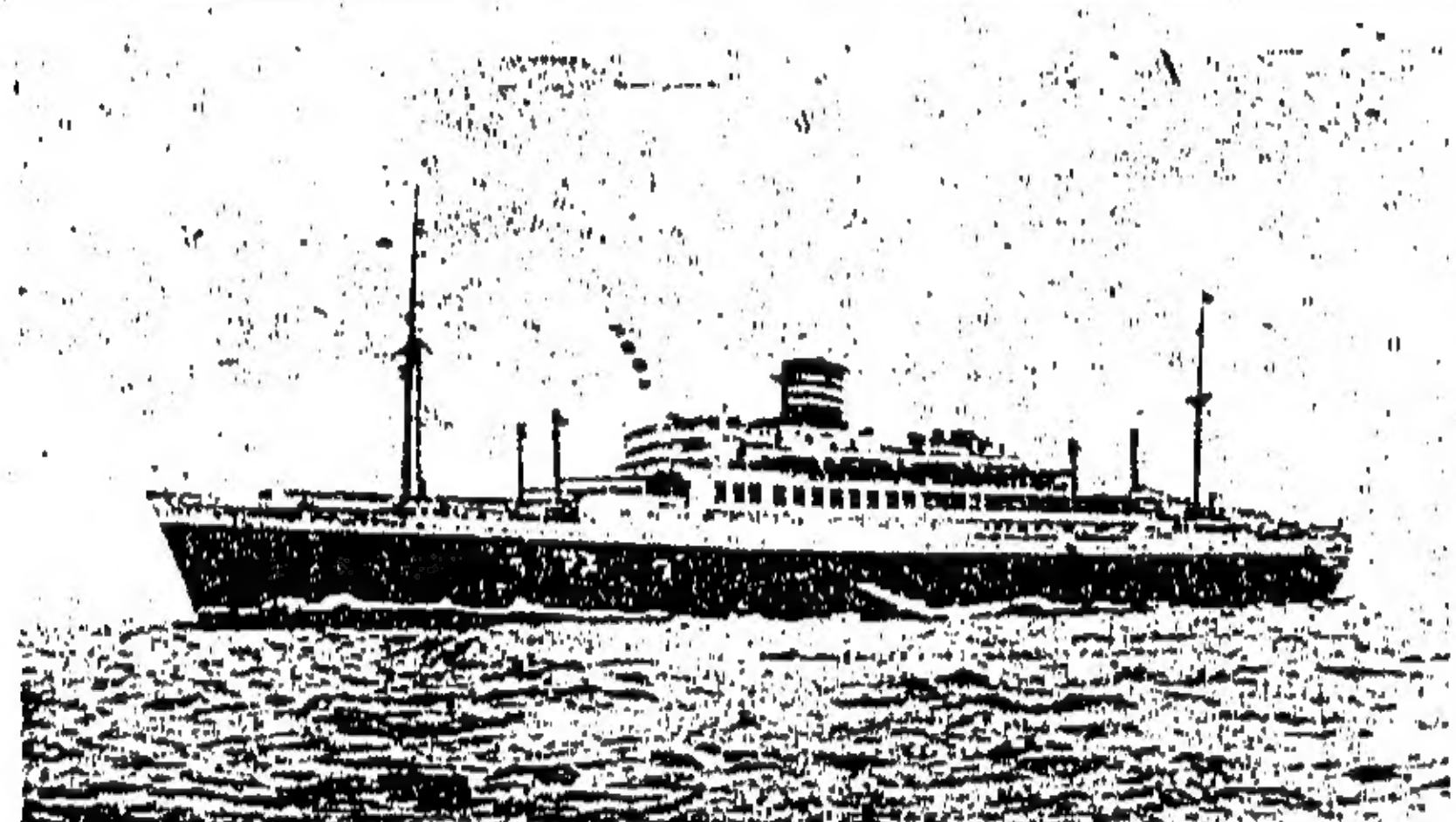
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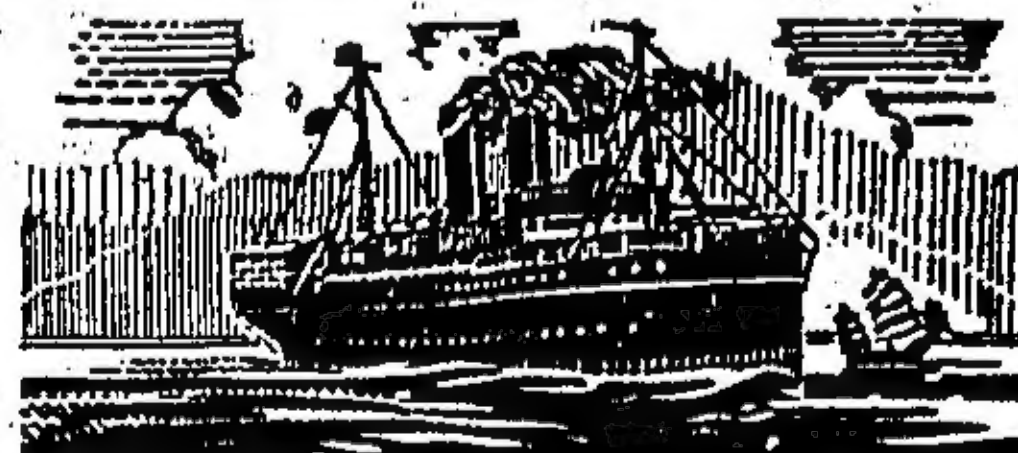
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UNION INSURANCE CO. MEETING

Continued from Page 9
overcome, and it has since run smoothly and now provides the protection required by shippers at a reasonable cost.

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In the ordinary Marine market efforts made early in the year to improve hull rates met with substantial success and there was every hope that the outstandingly unfavourable experience of 1937 and 1938 would be improved upon. Present indications are that this hope will not materialize as casualties due to navigation under war conditions have been numerous and settlements on the 1938 Account may be heavy.

Our own experience was not unsatisfactory. Marine premium at £1,099,237, 2s. 6d. was substantially higher than in 1938, due in a large measure to War Risk income. Claims paid on account of 1939 were £330,948, 14s. 11d. or some £22,000 higher than in 1938, which was to be expected in view of the larger income. In closing off the 1938 Account we have been able to reserve £100,190, 6s. 7d. to meet subsequent losses on that year and to transfer £50,000 to Profit and Loss Account.

The full effects of the War on Fire Underwriting are not yet discernible, but in the United Kingdom particularly the Government control of practically all commodities has diverted very large insurable value from their normal channels. There are indications that the Government is reconsidering its attitude in this connection and will insure certain of the commodities in future.

INTERIM DIVIDEND

Apart from the War, the general experience in the Fire field was reasonably good. Our own Fire Income was slightly less than last year and the Claims Ratio at 45.21 per cent was higher, but transfer of £50,000 to Profit and Loss Account is satisfactory.

In the Profit and Loss Account, after making provision for dividend requirements and transferring £30,000 to underwriting Suspense Account, there is a balance carried forward of £302,045, 1s. 6d.

In authorising an Interim Dividend of 12/6 per share in November, your Directors were in-

fluenced largely by the Contingency Guarantee Claims to which reference has been made at previous Meetings, and the uncertainty of the effect the war would have on our affairs.

LIMITING DISTRIBUTION

The recommendation now before you of a final Dividend of 12/6d per share is governed largely by the same factors plus the desirability of keeping the distribution within an amount approximating the interest earned.

So far as the Contingency Guarantee Claims are concerned, I am able to state that the losses in which we were involved have been adjusted and payment made.

Development plans for our recently acquired Subsidiary the British Oak Insurance Co. Ltd. have been interfered with by the war. Our Canadian Subsidiary the Beaver Fire Insurance Co. is still a small Company, and the distractions of the year have prevented concentration upon its development.

SECONDER'S SPEECH

In seconding the adoption of the report upon its development and accounts, Mr. M. H. Turner said, inter alia, that having regard to the world-wide conditions prevailing for the period under review, he was certain that shareholders will consider that the results of Fire Underwriting are satisfactory. The same may be said with regard to the Accident and General Departments which again for the second year shows a profit in place of the losses which were previously incurred for some years on this account.

The shareholders of the Society will no doubt endorse the recommendation of the Directors, as to the final dividend for the year 1939 thereby adopting a conservative policy owing to uncertainty as to the future particularly as regards the returns on our investments.

Messrs H. V. Wilkinson and J. Owen Hughes were re-elected directors, and Messrs. Lowe, Hingham and Matthews and Messrs. Linstead and Davis were re-appointed auditors.

The attendance was as follows: Mr. G. Miskin (Chairman), Hon.

Mr. S. H. Dodwell, Messrs. J. Owen Hughes, K. S. Morrison, and H. V. Wilkinson, D. S. O. (Directors) and Mr. A. W. Hughes (General Manager). In addition to the following share-holders:— Messrs. J. W. Alabaster, G. S. Archbutt, H. J. Armstrong, C. B. Brown, R. A. Dastur, Edgar Davidson, F. J. Elder, John Fleming, Leigh Garner, H. S. Lee, W. R. Mansfield, G. M. Marks, L. A. Osmund, A. J. Palmer, G. A. L. Plummer, L. G. E. Ramage, V. R. V. Ribeiro, M. A. R. Souza, D. B. Sinclair, F. W. Stapleton, D. V. Stevenson, G. G. N. Tinson, and M. H. Turner.

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All claims against the vessel must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 14th May, 1940, or they will not be recognized.

To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulations, Consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damage dutiable goods are examined.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 8th May, 1940, at 9 a.m. by Messrs. Carmichael & Clarke.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by W. R. LOXLEY & Co. (CHINA) Ltd. Agents.

Hong Kong, 3rd May, 1940. [628]

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Consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when any dutiable goods are examined by the Company's Surveyors.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

R. OHL, Agent.
Hong Kong, 1940. [642]

WEATHER REPORT

Hongkong Royal Observatory

10 a.m., May 3.

Barometer, (at sea level), 29.91 ins.

Temperature, 74 F.

Humidity, 90 per cent.

Wind Direction, E.

Wind Force (Beaufort), 4.

Temperature, maximum, yesterday, 81 F.

Temperature, minimum last night, 72 F.

Rainfall for 24 hrs. ending 10th today, nil.

Total rainfall, since January 1st, 22.49 ins.

Against an average of, 11.92 ins.

Sunset tonight, 6.51 p.m.

Sunrise tomorrow, 5.49 a.m.

4 p.m., May 3.

Barometer (at sea level), 29.85 ins.

Temperature, 74 F.

Humidity, 88 per cent.

Wind Direction, E.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE

From 4 to 10 May 1940.

HIGH WATER. LOW WATER.

Days of Week. Date of Month. Hong Kong Standard Time. Height. Hong Kong Standard Time. Height.

Sat. 4. h. m. f. l. h. m. f. l.

07 46 56 01 02 23

20 02 51 13 48 28

08 09 59 01 38 23

20 45 51 14 29 23

09 23 53 02 10 24

21 25 50 13 06 28

09 45 56 02 40 29

22 05 59 15 45 14

09 12 59 02 11 26

22 43 48 16 28 10

09 45 73 03 29 28

23 30 47 17 06 09

10 18 73 04 06 30

— 17 48 08

Wind Force (Beaufort), 4.

Maximum temperature, 76 F.

Minimum temperature, 72 F.

Rainfall, nil.

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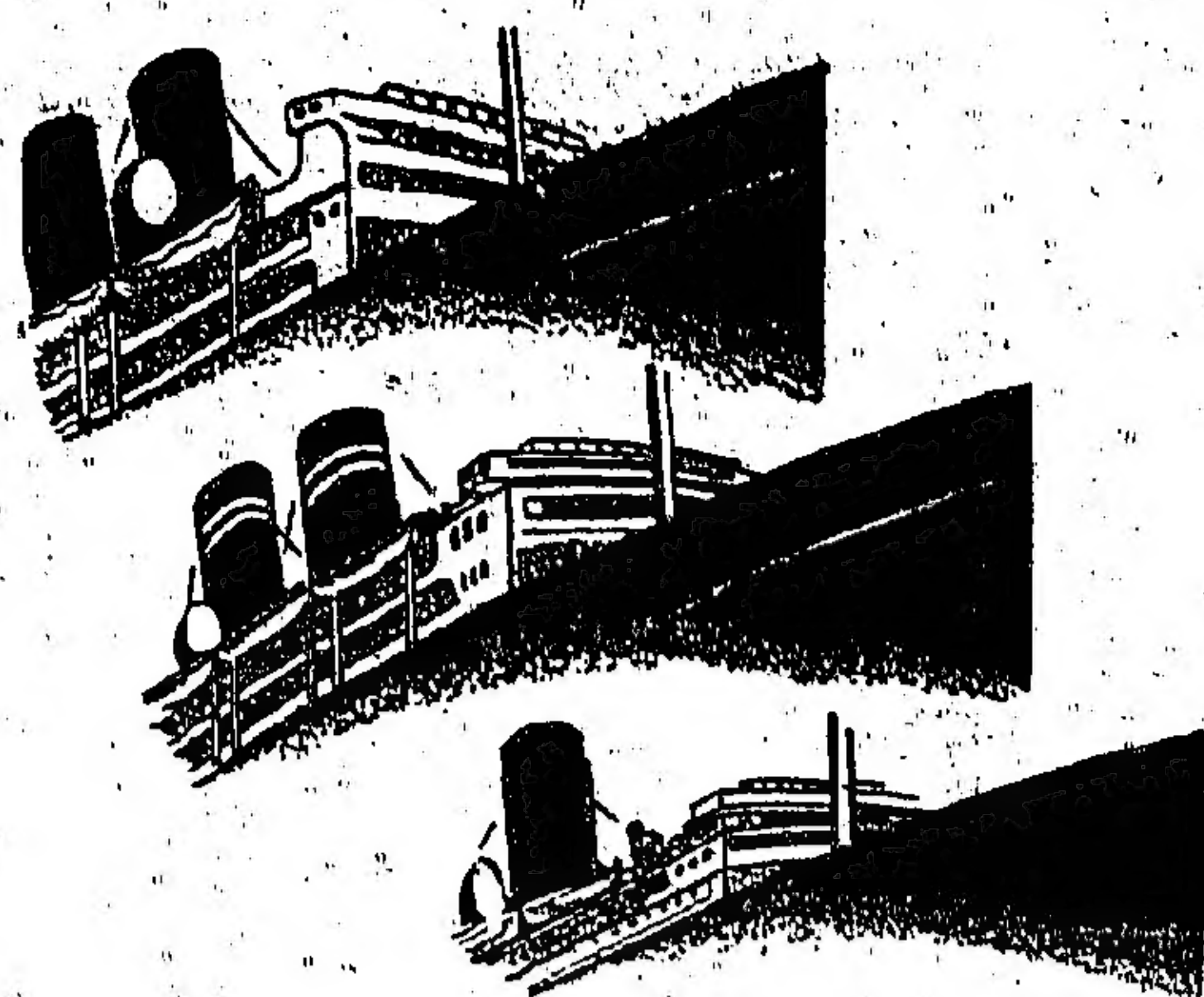
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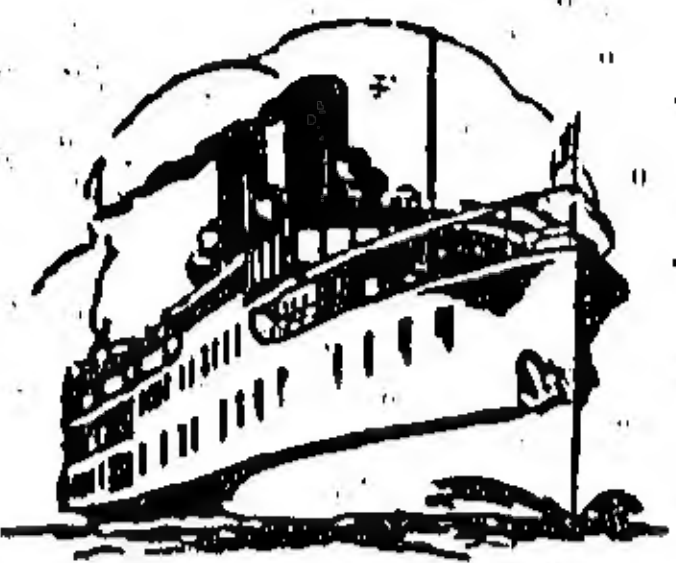
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RUMJAHN COUSINS WIN OPEN
TENNIS DOUBLES FOR 13TH
TIME SINCE 1925Down Two Sets, Defeat
Tsuis In Great MatchFOR 140 MINUTES S. A. RUMJAHN AND HIS COUSIN, H. D.
RUMJAHN, battled against the Tsui brothers, Wai-pui and Yan-
pul, in one of the most exciting tennis Open Doubles finals seen
in the Colony, to win the title for the 13th time since 1925 be-
fore a large appreciative crowd at the H.K.C.C. yesterday after-
noon.The Tsuis were winners in 1933, 1938 and 1939, yesterday
the Rumjahns won 4-6, 3-6, 6-3, 8-6, 6-4.BROADCAST BY
WICKHAM
STEED

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but of one thing he was cer-
tain, and that is Italy is very
uncomfortable and the Italian
people are most reluctant
about going to war.Yugoslavia, too, is very uncom-
fortable, and is watching Italy
very closely. With the other
smaller States also on the alert,
the whole world appears to be
like a large sounding board, every-
one watching to see what the next
move will be."We mean to win the war," Mr.
Wickham Steed said, "and we are
going to win the war. The small
nations fear that they will be the
victims of Nazi terrorism before
we win, and each rumour of Ger-
man success, no matter how small,
heightens this fear."Turning to Russia, Mr. Wickham
Steed said that the Soviet has
definitely made up her mind to
stay out of any further entangle-
ments in the war. Her losses in
the Finland expedition had been
very considerable—far more
considerable than she herself
would care to admit.Continuing he said that
there were fewer reports to-
day of any Russian military
activity in the Black Sea than
a month ago, and it is getting
more and more apparent that
Russian influence is being
used to prevent the war from
spreading to the Balkans.Going back to the Norwegian
campaign, Mr. Wickham Steed
said that if we had failed, up till
the present, to check the Germans
completely in Norway, we have
at least checked what they had
set out to get in a hurry.

SWEDEN FIRM

The German invasion of Nor-
way, he said, was designed to se-
cure for the Nazis not only con-
trol of the whole of Norway, but
also the whole of the Scandina-
vian Peninsula from where they
had hoped to direct operations
against England. In the back-
ground of all this was Sweden's
determination not to give in and
this gallant stand has given Hit-
ler something to think about.I am not disposed to be mourn-
ful, said Mr. Wickham Steed. We
have had a "down" on the land
but against this we have had a
very definite "up" in the air and
in the sea.

A MERE TRIFLE

He then went on to recall some
of the "downs" the Allies met
with in the struggle of 1914-1918,
and added that compared to some
of these the Norwegian "down"
would appear to be a mere trifle.The speaker said that the
enemy was a formidable one, and
it must be borne in mind that he
is fighting for his very existence.
"We are also fighting for our
lives," he said, "and something
better—we are fighting for the
preservation of humanity and
civilisation, and this is a fight we
are going to win."U.S. BASEBALL
RESULTSNEW YORK, May 3 (Reuter).—
The weather again proved an upset
in the Major Baseball programme
yesterday:—In the National League the
Philadelphia-Pittsburgh, the Chi-
cago-Boston and the Brooklyn-
Cincinnati games were postponed
because of rain.In the American League the
Cleveland-Philadelphia, the Chi-
cago-Boston and the St. Louis-New
York games were washed out.
Matches played were:—

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	R.	H.	E.
New York	7	14	2
St. Louis	4	5	0

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	R.	H.	E.
Detroit	5	8	2
Washington	3	6	0

While the losers put up a very
good display, it must be conceded
that Yan-pui was the better of
the Chinese pair, the former
champion being in poor form and
greatly lacking in the dash and
finish for which his play is so
well-known.Sirdar Rumjahn was exception-
ally brilliant and brought off
many spectacular shots which
evoked rounds of applause from
the spectators.His top spin drive, usually ac-
companied with a little hop, was
terrible to outwit a formidable
opponent. He was ably supported
by the steady and consistent play
of his cousin.A feature of yesterday's
play was the lobbing tactics
adopted by the Indian pair.
While the Tsuis replied with
hand volleys, the Rumjahns
almost invariably retrieved
with amazing dexterity.Both pairs were about evenly
matched at net play and there
was very little baseline driving, if
any at all. Cross-court hitting
and clever placing, were another
feature of the games.

CHANCES MISSED

The Chinese took the first two
sets without much difficulty, the
Indian pair combining very badly
and missing many useful chances.
In the third set the cousins
changed their tactics.The Rumjahns took the first
two games of the fourth set
which was marked by long rallies
at net, alternated by occasional
high lobs by the Rumjahns which
the Tsuis frequently crashed into
the net.In the fifth set, the Indians as-
sumed the lead.
Play was marked by brilliant
cross-court placing in which both
pairs excelled, Yan-pui being par-
ticularly prominent with some
scorching shots.The Chinese pair weakened bad-
ly and H.D. carried his service in
a love game to bring the score to
5-3. The Chinese were now com-
pletely out-played, and Sirdar won
his service, the game and match.EXHIBITION
FOOTBALL
AT C. HILLNAVY MEETING
EASTERNPrior to their departure shortly
on an extended Southern tour,
the Eastern A.A. football team will
be seen in action tomorrow
against a strong Navy side in an
exhibition game in aid of the
British War Organisation Fund at
Causeway Bay at 4.30 p.m.Eastern, winners of the Senior
Shield, are fielding a very formid-
able team, which includes several
of their new Shanghai players.
Admission will be \$1.50 and 30
cents and tickets will be on sale
from 2 p.m.Following are the probable
teams:—Eastern—Lau Hin-hon; N. Z. Lee
and Cheung Tung-wan; S. C.
Lieu, Hsu King-sing, Lo Wai-kuen
or Lo Chi-sang; Chung Yung-
sum, Cheong Kam-hoi, Lee Tac-
key, Tsu Ah-fai, Hau Ching-to or
C. P. Tse.Navy—Robinson; Roughley and
Honnell; Honeywell, Nichols
and Britt; Philpott, Le Page
Thorburn, Bourn and O'Regan.TAXI DANCER
ARRESTEDSpecial to H.K. Daily Press
SHANGHAI, May 3 (Havas).—
The popular Chinese taxi dancer,
Miss Ma San-nur, arrested a few
days ago by Wang Ching-wei's
secret agents and is reported to
have been handed over to the Jap-
anese military authorities, and
charged with spying.Last year she constantly travell-
ed between Shanghai and the last
returned to Shanghai on April 15.PROGRESS OF
LAST SET
AT A GLANCEThe progress of the last set,
game by game, is shown at a
glance in the following table.
Each pair had won two sets
and this was the deciding one.
Tsui Yan-pui opened ser-
vice:—

RUMJAHNS	TSUIS
0	1
1	1
2	1
3	1
4	2
5	3
6	4

SENNET FRERES
SHOOTING
SEQUELMr. J. Dubois, manager of
Messrs. Sennet Freres, who was
shot during the daring daylight
hold-up on Thursday afternoon,
died in the Queen Mary Hospital
yesterday morning.The funeral takes place at 4
p.m. today.One of the men arrested in
the Queen Mary Hospital where
extra police guard has been
placed. The man has a wound in
his hand.

WANTED MEN

The police are searching for two
more men wanted in connexion
with the crime and the following
descriptions have been circulated:—"Aged 25, medium height and
build, hair cut short, and dressed
in black serge European-style
clothing. White Panama Hat and
black European-style leather
shoes. Believed to be a Can-
tonese.""Aged 24, medium height and
build, long thin face and saw-
toothed complexion. Hair cut American
style, wearing greyish-blue Euro-
pean-style serge clothing and
brown leather shoes. Native of
Shanghai.""This man is believed to be
armed with a revolver."NEW METHOD BY
SNATCHERSSnatch thieves in Kowloon tried
out a new method of handbag
snatching yesterday when Mrs.
Parley, of Stanley Barracks, was
victimised by two men who ap-
proached her on a tandem, the
man in the front seat snatching
away her bag.The incident occurred in Nathan
Road near the Peking Rug Store
as Mrs. Parley was crossing the
street. The bag contained \$30 in
money, and other articles, a total
value of \$54.

RACE MEETING

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Shuttlecock 180, Tarzan 140, Win-
nie 143.

SECOND DAY

1.—Smugglers' Handicap—"E" Class
(1 Mile)Arabian Cat 150, Dow-Jones 140,
Geordie 150, Gog 145, Gold Eagle
152, Heddon 155, Lancashire Chap
162, Lucky Eleven 140, National
Honour 140, Old Fashioned 140,
Radium Star 161, Strathdoon 144,
Sunshine Stude 151, The Tigress
164, Wild Bear 151.3.—Whitsun Plate H'cap (1 1/2 Miles)
Clember 166, Craigavad 151, Dis-
tinctive Time 151, Dupont Bay 151,
Eve of Harvest 145, Eve of Heaven
140, Gretber 151, Johnner 155,
O-Lan 153, Oomagh 148.6.—Lama Handicap—"B" Class—1st
Section (1 1/2 Miles)Bear Claw 161, Conquering Time
151, Galaxy 158, Hopeful Star 156,
Hyndford Bridge 140, Jennifer 154,
Jobber 149, Lilliber 161, Red Feather
161, Rose Emily 147, White Diamond
163.7.—Manly Handicap—"B" Class
(1 1/2 Miles)Ajax 142, Annabella 135, A Roar-
ing Time 152, Bruno 143, Brutus
145, Fair Chance 150, Franklin 160,
Happy Landings 152, Murrum-
bidge 150, Sea Jay 150, Spring-
hurst 145, Sydney Lad 160, Trium-
phant Day 160, Vixen Tor 145, Win-
fred 152.10.—Lama H'cap—"B" Class—2nd
Section (1 1/2 Miles)Avon 163, Blue Diamond 153, Ex-
pansion Time 141, Gay Star 161,
Just In Time 145, King Kong 161,
New Star 165, Peaceful View 152,
Potentate 150, Rob Roy 153, Rose
Jane 140.

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Shanghai	4th May
Shanghai	4th May
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Shanghai	4th May
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service" London date, 27th April	5th May
Formosa and Swatow	6th May
Bangkok and Tourane	6th May
Shanghai and Amoy	6th May
Canton	6th May
Halphong	6th May
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 30th April	7th May
Japan and Shanghai	7th May
Shanghai	7th May
Halphong	7th May
Java and Manila	7th May
Straits and Manila	7th May
Japan	7th May
Air Mail by "Air France Direct Service"—Paris date, 1st May	8th May
Manila	8th May
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service" London date 1st May	8th May
Canton	8th May
Japan and Shanghai	8th May
Manila	8th May
Shanghai, Amoy and Swatow	8th May
Canada, U.S.A. Japan and Shanghai—(Vancouver B. C. date 20th April)	8th May
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Shanghai	8th May
Calcutta and Straits	10th May
Shanghai	10th May
Canton	11th May
Japan and Shanghai	11th May
Japan and Shanghai	11th May
Halphong	11th May
Shanghai	11th May
Straits and Manila	14th May
Straits and Europe via Suez—(London date, 5th April)	14th May
Java and Manila	15th May
Japan and Shanghai	15th May
Sandakan	15th May
U.S.A., Honolulu and Japan (San Francisco date, 18th April)	15th May
U.S.A., Honolulu and Japan (San Francisco date, 23rd April)	17th May
Straits and Manila	17th May
Japan and Shanghai	17th May
Japan	18th May

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Halphong	Ord. 5.30 PM
SUNDAY	Sun. 5th
Saloon	9.00 AM
Canton	9.00 AM
Bangkok	9.00 AM
Port Bayard, and Halphong	9.00 AM
Shanghai	9.00 AM
MONDAY	Mon. 6th
Halphong	Noon
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Shanghai	8.30 AM
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	K.P.O. 5.00 PM
	Ord. 5.30 PM
	G.P.O. 5.00 PM
	Ord. 7.00 PM
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	Ord. 5.30 PM
	K.P.O. 5.00 PM
	Ord. 5.30 PM
Air Mail for Malaya, Java and Australia by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due Sydney 13th May	Reg. 5.00 PM
	Ord. 7.00 PM
	K.P.O. 5.00 PM
	Ord. 5.30 PM
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu and U.S.A. by the "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—due San Francisco, 14th May	Reg. 5.00 PM
	Ord. 7.00 PM
WEDNESDAY	Wed. 8th
Canton	7.15 AM
Sandakan	12.30 PM
	K.P.O. 5.00 PM
	Ord. 5.30 PM
	G.P.O. 5.00 PM
	Ord. 7.00 PM

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